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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1763, March 5-11, 2015

Thu 0430	WRMI	9955 [repeated 1762]
Thu 1330	WRMI	9955 [confirmed]
Fri 2130	WRMI	7570 & 15770 [confirmed]
Sat 0730	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1000	WRMI	5850
Sat 1530	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 2030v	WA0RCR	1860-AM [NEW]
Sun 0200	WH2XDE-1	1750 Victor NY
Sun 0415v	WA0RCR	1860-AM [NEW: confirmed at 0424]
Sun 2300	WRMI	11580 [confirmed]
Mon 0300v	WBCQ	5110v Area 51
Tue 1100	WRMI	9955
Wed 0730	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 1315	WRMI	9955
Wed 1530	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 2100	WBCQ	7490v
Thu 0330	WRMI	9955 [or 1764 if ready in time]

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WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS:
Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club.
http://www.rmrc.de/index.php?
option=com_podcast&view=feed&format=raw&Itemid=156&lang=de
or directly via:
http://bit.ly/1xD5yyn
AND ALTERNATIVE, tnx Stephen Cooper, because RMRC was down:
http://shortwave.am/wor.xml
AND ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE, tnx to Keith Weston:
http://feeds.feedburner.com/GlennHausersWorldOfRadio
Also via [but still not back in service]:
http://tunein.com/radio/World-of-Radio-p198/

OUR ONDEMAND AUDIO:
http://www.worldofradio.com/audiomid.html
or http://wor.worldofradio.org

DAY-BY-DAY ARCHIVE OF GLENN HAUSER`S LOG REPORTS:
Unedited, uncondensed, unchanged from original version, many of
them too complex, minutely researched, multi-frequency, opinionated,
inconsequential, off-topic, or lengthy for some log editors to
manage; and also ahead of their availability in these weekly issues:
http://www.hard-core-dx.com/index.php?topic=Hauser

DXLD YAHOOGROUP: Why wait for DXLD? A lot more info, not all of it
appearing in DXLD later, is posted at our yg without delay.

When applying, please identify yourself with your real name and
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not, unless I recognize them, will be prompted once to do so and no
action will be taken otherwise. Here`s where to sign up:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxld/

** AFGHANISTAN [non]. Additional broadcasts of BBC in Dari/Pashto
observed on March 2
1600-1630 on 9650 unknown transmitter to WeAs Dari
1600-1630 on 12045 unknown transmitter to WeAs Dari
1630-1700 on 9650 unknown transmitter to WeAs Pashto
1630-1700 on 12045 unknown transmitter to WeAs Pashto
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/additional-broadcasts-of-bbc-in.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** ALASKA. According to Konstantin Chernushenko (zav.russkim

department radio) KNLS is not aired. That's the message from Constantine: The problem at the plant. A couple of weeks ago there was a very strong storm and damaged antenna wires torn in many places. Fix is not so simple, it is necessary antenna goes down. But there is frost and wind, can not yet do, apparently will have to wait warming is likely to end of March. For the first time this has happened for 30 years, but now we can not live and apparently permanently (Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / "deneb-radio-dx" via RusDX March 1 via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD) See also MADAGASCAR

** ALBANIA. 14570 harmonic, CRI via Albania. 2 x 7285 on 7/2 with strong signal at 0900-1000 in Romanian. Checking the other CRI relays found harmonix also
at 0900 on 18920 (2 x 9460),
at 1200 on 14690 (2x 7345) in Serbian
and 14440 (2 x 7220) at 1100 in Bulgarian
(Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF 2001D, folded Marconi antenna 16m, March Australian DX News via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

** ANGOLA. 4949.75, RNA-Canal "A", Mulenvos, 2252-..., 01/3, texto; 35433, modulaÁ„o extremamente baixa (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ASCENSION. U.K. (non), New religious broadcast via BABCOCK: Follow The Bible Ministries: 1900-1930 on 12050 ASC 250 kW / 055 deg to WeAf English Sun, effective from Feb 8
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/follow-bible-ministries-via-babcock.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, March 1! dxldyg via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 2485, ABC Katherine, doing better than 2325 Tennant Creek, oddly enough, at 1206 with îBloody Sundayî by U2 (26 Feb) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

2485, VL8K Katherine NT, 1145 om and yl chat then into music pop rock vocal, female singing 1155 to 1159, this 27 February.

2325, VL8T Tennant Creek NT, 1058 om and yl chat to 1105 28 February (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, Sony 2010XA, 60 90/120 meter dipoles, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4835, ABC Alice Springs. 1119 Cricket coverage between Sydney and Melbourne. No break at BoH. Good signal and very little 4840 WWCR splash QRM. Bad CODAR QRM of course (4 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA [and non]. 12085, R. Australia, Shepparton. NF ex 12080 and new time. Pidgin talk at 0952, 6/2, and doesnít seem a good choice as it was mixed with co-channel V. of Mongolia! (Dennis Allen, Milperra NSW, Icom R75, Realistic DX160, Longwire, March Australian DX News via DXLD)

** AUSTRIA. 17605, AWR (Via Moosbrunn) 2/28, 1455. Some sort of afro-religious kum-ba-yah chant singing with excellent signal to sudden close at ToH. 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, HQ-200 & Slinky, Grundig Satellit 750, Drake R8, random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Afar; also reliable here for good music (gh)

** AUSTRIA. Just heard TWR on 6105 & 7400 say they are closing shortwave for good on March 29th. Sent from my BlackBerryÆ smartphone (Gary Drew, UK, 0819 UT Feb 27, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

Only TWR Europe English service stopped distribution via shortwave path, still on air via satellite broadcasts though. But TWR Europe registered still Belarussian, Hungarian, Polish, Russian language services in summer season 2015:

3200 0255-0325 53,57 MAN 50 3 0 101 1234567 NBLENG SWZ TWR Africa
3200 0400-0500 57 MAN 50 233 0 100 1234567 DEUENG SWZ TWR Africa
3200 0430-0500 57 MAN 25 233 0 100 17 DEU SWZ TWR Africa
3200 1630-1645 53W MAN 50 3 0 101 13 TSOTSC SWZ TWR Africa
3240 0255-0340 53 MAN 50 3 0 101 1234567 SHANDC SWZ TWR Africa
4760 1420-1625 53SW MAN 100 3 0 101 1234567 ENGSHA SWZ TWR Af NEL
4775 0342-0357 53SW MAN 50 3 0 101 1234567 NGL SWZ TWR Africa
4775 0400-0800 57 MAN 50 233 0 101 1234567 DEUENG SWZ TWR Africa
5910 0545-0600 28 MOS 100 30 0 800 23456 POL AUT TWR Europe
6120 0501-0800 57 MAN 50 233 0 100 1234567 ENG SWZ TWR Africa
6120 1800-1815 48W DHA 250 225 -15 146 2345 Und UAE TWR Africa
6120 1800-1830 48W DHA 250 225 -15 146 17 Und UAE TWR Africa
6120 1815-1845 48W DHA 250 225 -15 146 23456 Und UAE TWR Africa
6130 1820-2035 52 MAN 100 312 0 142 1234567 UmbCJK SWZ Af MNF/Luv
7215 0830-0900 28 NAU 100 135 0 146 1234567 HUN D TWR Europe
7300 1400-1428 28,29,30 NAU 100 65 0 146 1234567 BELRUS D TWR Europe
7300 1700-1730 53W MAN 100 3 0 101 1234567 Yaw SWZ TWR Africa
7315 1418-1453 53W MAN 100 5 0 142 7 Mak SWZ TWR Africa
7320 0700-0715 28 MOS 100 30 0 800 23456 POL AUT TWR Europe
9355 1345-1445 44-45 TWR 100 345 30 218 1 Kor USA TWR Asia
9355 1345-1415 44-45 TWR 100 345 30 218 7 Kor USA TWR Asia
9355 1345-1500 44-45 TWR 100 345 30 218 23456 Kor USA TWR Asia
9470 1400-1428 28,29,30 MOS 100 55 -30 218 1234567 BELRUS AUT TWR Eu
9475 1745-1815 48SW,53N MAN 100 5 0 142 1234567 TurSWA SWZ TWR Africa
9500 1802-1902 48 MAN 100 13 0 218 1234567 ENGSWA SWZ TWR Jub

9585 1455-1525 53SE MAN 100 64 0 101 1234567 MALFRA SWZ TWR Africa
9900 0030-0130 41 TAC 100 131 0 156 1234567 Mul UZB TWR India
9910 1100-1200 42-44 TWR 200 305 -15 218 123456 Cmn USA TWR Asia
9910 1115-1200 42-44 TWR 200 305 -15 218 7 Cmn USA TWR Asia
9910 1200-1230 42-44 TWR 200 305 -15 218 1234567 Cmn USA TWR Asia
9940 1905-2005 47S,52 MAN 100 343 -30 218 1234567 LINFRA SWZ TWR Af
9975 1215-1245 44,45 TWR 100 345 30 218 1 Jpn USA TWR Asia
9975 1215-1245 42-44 TWR 200 315 30 218 23456 Cmn USA TWR Asia
9975 1330-1400 42-44 TWR 200 315 30 218 123456 Cmn USA TWR Asia
9975 1345-1400 42-44 TWR 200 315 30 218 7 Cmn USA TWR Asia
9975 1400-1430 42-44 TWR 200 315 30 218 23456 Yue USA TWR Asia
9975 1400-1430 42-44 TWR 200 315 30 218 17 Cmn USA TWR Asia
9975 1430-1445 42-44 TWR 200 315 30 218 1234567 Cmn USA TWR Asia
11560 1345-1600 41 TWR 250 290 -30 218 1234567 Hin USA TWR Asia
11560 1600-1630 41 TWR 250 290 -30 218 23456 Hin USA TWR Asia
11580 1200-1215 43,44 TWR 200 315 0 218 1234567 Cmn USA TWR Asia
11580 1245-1330 49 TWR 100 285 0 218 123456 Vie USA TWR Asia
11580 1245-1345 49 TWR 100 285 0 218 7 Vie USA TWR Asia
11635 1630-1645 48E,48SW DHA 250 215 0 206 1 Som UAE TWR Africa
11635 1630-1700 48E,48SW DHA 250 215 0 206 234567 Som UAE TWR Africa
11700 1630-1800 48 MAN 100 13 0 218 1234567 AMHGAZ SWZ Af Kam/Dim
11710 0330-0345 48W DHA 250 225 -15 146 3 Orm UAE TWR Africa
11710 0330-0345 48W DHA 250 225 -15 146 126 Amh UAE TWR Africa
11710 0330-0345 48W DHA 250 225 -15 146 45 Sid UAE TWR Africa
11840 1000-1019 51,55,56,TWR 100 165 0 149 234567 Eng USA TWR Asia
11965 0930-1000 54 TWR 100 248 -30 218 23456 Mad USA TWR Asia
11965 1000-1030 54 TWR 100 248 -30 218 123456 Sun USA TWR Asia
11965 1030-1110 49,50,54 TWR 100 263 -15 218 3456 Eng USA TWR Asia
11965 1030-1100 49,50,54 TWR 100 263 -15 218 2 Eng USA TWR Asia
12055 1245-1600 40E,41 ERV 300 100 0 298 1234567 VAR ARM TWR India
12120 1115-1200 42-44 TWR 200 315 0 218 1234567 Cmn USA TWR Asia
12120 1500-1515 41 TWR 250 293 15 218 123456 Var USA TWR Asia
12120 1515-1600 41 TWR 250 293 15 218 23456 Var USA TWR Asia
12160 1315-1630 41 TAC 100 131 10 156 1234567 Mul UZB TWR India
15105 1557-1627 53W MAN 100 13 0 218 23456 Kir SWZ TWR Africa
15110 1500-1518 41,49,50 TWR 100 285 -30 218 23456 Eng USA TWR Asia
15110 1500-1516 41,49,50 TWR 100 285 -30 218 7 Eng USA TWR Asia
15110 1500-1530 41,49,50 TWR 100 285 -30 218 1 Eng USA TWR Asia
15225 1315-1345 41 TWR 100 290 -30 218 123456 Asm USA TWR Asia
15235 1000-1015 42-44 TWR 200 305 -15 218 1234567 Cmn USA TWR Asia
15235 1015-1100 42-44 TWR 200 305 -15 218 234567 Cmn USA TWR Asia
15240 1230-1300 41 TWR 200 290 -30 218 23456 Trp USA TWR Asia
15240 1245-1300 41 TWR 100 290 -30 218 1 Trp USA TWR Asia
15240 1300-1315 41 TWR 100 290 -30 218 1234567 Sat USA TWR Asia
15360 1400-1415 40SE,41N MAN 100 43 30 218 1234567 URD SWZ TWR Africa
15390 1200-1230 41,49 TWR 100 293 15 218 23456 Mya USA TWR Asia
15390 1200-1300 41,49 TWR 100 293 15 218 17 Mya USA TWR Asia
15390 1300-1330 49 TWR 100 293 15 218 1234567 Ksw USA TWR Asia

15720 0500-0515 48W DHA 250 225 -15 146 7 Orm UAE TWR Africa
17680 1300-1315 48W DHA 250 230 -30 218 1567 Aar UAE TWR Africa
(Wolfgang B¸schel, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Basta

** AZERBAIJAN. Ictimai Radio in FM modulation on SW again on air
from 0850 on 9676.7 UNIDentified tx site to CeAs Azeri Feb 25
from 1105 on 9676.7 UNIDentified tx site to CeAs Azeri Feb 26
from 1112 on 9676.7 UNIDentified tx site to CeAs Azeri Feb 27
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CozGce7tynw&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=58BrpbFnVBI&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fbpNICYO8V4&feature=youtu.be
(DX RE MIX NEWS #898 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, March 2, 2015
via DXLD)

February 25: Ictimai Radio, open carrier, dead air 0820 on 9676.7 UNID
tx in AM mode
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=69uX1_duSNQ&feature=youtu.be
Ictimai Radio in Azeri to CeAs 0850 on 9676.7 UNID tx in FM mode
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CozGce7tynw&feature=youtu.be
February 26: Ictimai Radio in Azeri to CeAs 1105 on 9676.7 UNID tx in
FM mode
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=58BrpbFnVBI&feature=youtu.be
February 27: Ictimai Radio in Azeri to CeAs 1112 on 9676.7 UNID tx in
FM mode
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fbpNICYO8V4&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

Ictimai Radio noted today March 4th at 1145-1200 UT on range 9668 to
9683.6 kHz wideband FM mode transmission. But broadcast transmitter
switched also for short 4 seconds from FM to like AM mode signal
visible in Perseus screen on exact 9676.8 kHz. Signal is not much
strong, only S=5-6 strength noted on remote SDR units in southern
Germany, Austrian-Hungarian border area and in Moscow Russia. 73 wb
(Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BAHRAIN. 9745, R. Bahrain. Weak signal from this 10 kW ND outlet
as one would expect. Speakers in just recognisable Arabic between
western musical items. Reported to be no longer on 24 hour schedule,
0600 to 1900 instead, 1820 9/2 (Charles Jones, Castle Hill NSW, JRC
NRD-535D and 7m vertical, March Austrlian DX News via DXLD)

** BANGLADESH. 15105, Bangladesh Betar, Dhaka. Waited on frequency for
this station to start up. Noted the tuning signal come on at 1224,
interval signal started at 1227. TC and ID at 1229, seems to be out
with their time announcement by about 30 seconds. News at 1231.
Monitored right through till s/off after the Weekly Sports Review at
1259. Impressive signal on 11/2 (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic,
Yaesu FT DX 3000, Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu FRG100, Double Bazooka

antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD)

15505, Feb 26 at 1358:55, BB IS starts, mistimesignal ends earlier at 1359:19, opening theme for Urdu service; very poor (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9455, Bangladesh Betar, Feb 28 1314-1320, 34333, Nepali, IS, ID, Opening music, Opening announce, Theme music, News (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15505, March 1 at 1359, tune in very poor BB signal just in time to hear mistimesignal ending at 1359:30 today.

15505, March 2 at 1359, Bangladesh Betar IS, mistimesignal ending at 1359:30, opening Urdu, very poor (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BANGLADESH [and non]. /USA(non), Strong co-channel between Bangladesh Betar and V of America
1745-1900 13580 DKA 250 kW / 320 deg to WeEu English Bangladesh Betar
1700-1800 13580 IRA 250 kW / 267 deg to EaAf Somali Voice of America:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/strong-co-ch-between-bangladesh-betar.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #898 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, March 2, 2015 via DXLD)

** BHUTAN. 6034.95, BBS. Again, found here staying on past 1200. 1212 usual M announcer with presumed news to 1220, then the local stringed instrumental music for about a minute and M returned. Lively local music bridge at 1223 and W announcer but fading badly and quickly by this time. Had to notch out Yunnan of course. Could still see both BBS and Yunnan easily at 1309, so BBS staying on very late today (2 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 3310, R. MOSOJ CHASKI. 26/2 0931 UT. Mujer habla en quechua y nombra unos porcentajes. SINPO: 45434 (Claudio Galaz, RX: Realistic DX-160; ANT: Beverage, 40 metros; QTH: Barraza Bajo, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 4716.65, Radio Yura 1020 to 1025 with female vocalist 28 February (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, Sony 2010XA, 60 90/120 meter dipoles, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4716.7, R. Yura. OC on the air at 1013:30. Program start at 1020:52 with instrumental campo music and W announcer with two IDs with mention of onda corta. Canned announcement by M, then into campo song, and W announcer at 1023 with ID and talk in Quechua. Two more songs and W returned at 1028 for about a minute, then back to music. Fading badly by 1040 (2 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 5580.23, R. San JosÈ (presumed). Noted the signal here at 2320 with audio right at threshold. Got a little music at 2325. A tad better by 2334 with LA Pop song and W vocalist. Still no better by 0005 (1 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 5952.44, Pio XII, Siglo Veinte, 1040 om and yl, still there at 1115 recheck 28 February (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, Sony 2010XA, 60 90/120 meter dipoles, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5952.5, Radio Pio XII, Siglo XX, 0024-0041, 01-03, Bolivian songs, Spanish, Quechua, comments, advertisements: "Banco Nacional...". 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Tecsun PL-880, cable antenna 8 meters and Degen 31MS, active Loop antenna, Logs in Friol, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 6025, R. PATRIA NUEVA, 26/2 0955 UT. Micro programa acerca de las efemÈrides en la historia boliviana, especialmente de la invasiÛn chilena a Antofagasta en 1879 y la pÈrdida del litoral. Adem·s de ID cantado: "est·s en Red Patria Nueva". E ID en idiomas indÌgenas, junto a noticias. SINPO: 53443 (Claudio Galaz, RX: Realistic DX-160; ANT: Beverage, 40 metros; QTH: Barraza Bajo, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 6105.42, Radio Panamericana, La Paz, 1107 om in Spanish with flauta andina to 1112, 28 February (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, Sony 2010XA, 60 90/120 meter dipoles, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 6134.83, Radio Santa Cruz 1040 chat and flauta andina in lab with 1.2k filter on the 746Pro 28 February (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, Sony 2010XA, 60 90/120 meter dipoles, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6134.8, Radio Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz de la Sierra, 0026-0048, 01-03, Bolivian songs, Spanish, comments, identification "Radio Santa Cruz".

13321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Tecsun PL-880, cable antenna 8 meters and Degen 31MS, active Loop antenna, Logs in Friol, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 6155.14, R. Fides. 1041 talk by M host in Spanish but very distorted weak audio. Over top of China. Very fady as well. The audio on Fides has gotten very bad in the last year or two. Extremely difficult to ID now (4 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 3375.1, Brasil, R·dio Municipal S„o Gabriel da Cachoeira, 1001 to 1010 om Portuguese during band scan 28 February (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, Sony 2010XA, 60 90/120 meter dipoles, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4765, Radio IntegraÁ„o de Cruzeiro do Sul Acre Volta a Transmitir em Ondas Tropicais --- Depois de 3 anos apos a ˙ltima escuta, a R·dio IntegraÁ„o de Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre, voltou a ser captada em 4765 khz. Fiz 2 monitoramentos ‡ noite, n„o podendo indentific·-la. Na manh„ de s·bado com outro monitoramento consegui gravar com um sinpo baixo de 25222, mas dar para notar se os an˙ncios comerciais da regi„o, anunciou sobre a AGRICUL, de Cruzeiro do Sul, e passou mais anuncios do jornal matinal semanal que tem por slogan (Fatos e Noticias). Mais tarde pude constatar no site a escuta do locutor dizendo transmitir em AM FM e Onda Tropical, ainda varios slogans [IntegraÁao FM]

Buscas Google: #1 Primeiros IndÌcios de escuta:

``4765.00, BRASIL, R. Integracao, Cruzeiro do Sul; 7/02 1045-1115 44444 px religioso de la iglesia presbiteriana mx continua pero no escucho ID Via (Glenn Hauser) DX LISTENING DIGEST [that was Arrun·tegui, Per˙ this year]

#2 Ultima Escuta registrada:

``4765 kHz, R·dio IntegraÁ„o, portuguÍs para o Norte do Brasil (via transmissor localizado em Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre - Brasil), 0904-0910 (UT), segunda-feira, 30 de julho de 2012. SequÍncia de m˙sicas sertanejas, com duplas de renome nacional, como Bruno & Marrone e ZezÈ di Camargo & Luciano. ¿s 0908, identificaÁ„o da emissora na voz de um homem; ele diz: < >. SINPO: 24222. Lenildo da Silva, S„o JozÈ das Piranhas, PB Via (Grupo no mundo do dexismo)``

Foi enviado um informe, mais um arquivo de video · r·dio via email. Abaixo segue os endereÁos, fotos da r·dio, e link da minha ˙ltima

escuta em 4765 khz*
http://youtu.be/YKA7HSplfKg

EndereÁo: R. de Alagoas, 270 Acre, 69980-000, Bairrro Escola Tecnica_
Cruzeiro do Sul_Acre_ Brasil
Telefone: 068 3322 9104 _ 33224637
Email: contato@radioetvintegracao.com.br
Site: http://radioetvintegracao.com.br

- See more at:
http://www.dexismointernacional.com.br/index.php/2013-01-31-07-20-51/item/156-4765-khz-radio-integracao-de-cruzeiro-do-sul-acre-volta-a-transmitir-em-ondas-tropicais#sthash.8wZHYJv6.dpuf
(Daniel Wyllyans, Nova Xavantina MT, Feb 28, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

YOuTube caption: Start at: Published on Feb 28, 2015

4765 khz R·dio IntegraÁ„o, Cruzeiro do Sul AC, Anns sobre o jornal da manh„ que È apresentado durante a semana, slogan [Fatos e noticias] sobre a Agricul de Cruzeiro do Sul. No 0:52 do vÌdeo a escuta foi as 0927 UT, sinpo 25222, 28/02. Via site ouvir o locutor de s·bado De Encontro com a Palavra, com Vagner Costa; falou estar transmitindo em AM FM e Onda Tropical Mais DX em
http://www.dexismointernacional.com.br/

The clip is unreadable here, extremely poor reception; all I can tell is that it does sound like Brazilian. This is no SINPO 25222. I don`t see how he could pull any details out of it. There is also at times a strange variable-pitch het, like the sound-effect once used in the movies to portray tuning a SW radio, which used to occur on cheap radios with poor image rejexion. Why isn`t reception better there, relatively close in Brasil? WRTH 2014 listed only one ZY on 4765, R. Rural, SantarÈm; still in 2015 but as inactive. Station website for IntegraÁ„o above shows 99.9 FM, nothing about 4765. This archive, now past three years since it was last updated, does not show any such 4765 station (or anything in Cruzeiro do Sul) back into Y2K.

His blog link gets a 404. Correct link is:
http://www.dexismointernacional.com.br/index.php/radio-escuta/item/156-4765-khz-radio-integracao-de-cruzeiro-do-sul-acre-volta-a-transmitir-em-ondas-tropicais

It linx to another YouTube which is no better as far as anything to definitely ID it
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3a_GchBjzLs&list=UUnEatwEHssHMo9VaS7YupkA

He does say listening to webcast later they mention being on onda tropical. LA stations long gone from SW tend to do this as a matter of

prestige (or neglect). Despite this unconvincing log, the station was reported earlier this year by Pedro F Arrun·tegui, Per˙:

4765.00, BRASIL, R. IntegraÁ„o, Cruzeiro du Sul, 17/01 1115-1140, 33333, ID ìEn Cruzeiro do Sul por R·dio IntegraÁ„oî px religioso mx (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST) AND::

BRASIL, 4765, R. IntegraÁ„o (presumido*), Cruz.∫ do Sul AC, 2242-2258, 01/3, relato de jogo de futebol; 34332, QRM de CODAR. Bloqueado pelo sinal do Tajiquist„o, logo antes das 2300.

*) Pelo azimute da Beverage utilizada, presumo ter-se tratado desta emissora, n„o da R. Rural, SantarÈm PA (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST) But Dave presumed the other:

4765, R. Rural (presumed) 1015 lively ZY Pops. Seemed like canned announcements between songs. 1024 M announcer in Portuguese. The signal strength was sufficient but the modulation is really low, probably the main reason why this is so difficult (27 Feb) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Cf other reports of IntegraÁ„o, above

** BRAZIL. 4865, presumed R. Verdes Florestas, OC came on the air at 1040:47. Still no audio to 1105 (2 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4885, March 3 at 0650, no signal from ZYG362, R. Clube do Par·, BelÈm, which had reliably been the best/only Brazilian signal overnight on 60m; believe it has also been missing for a few nights previous. Is it totally off or just no longer 24h? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. Re my previous report of no signal on 4885 around 0630: ``4885, R·dio Clube do Par· noted with early sign off at 2300 UT on Feb 28 and at 2230 on March 1. So most likely new reduced schedule on SW. 73 Thomas Nilsson, Sweden`` (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Later, on, and off again (gh)

** BRAZIL. 5939.7, Voz Mission·ria, Cambori˙, SC. Over the past couple of months, this station has drifted even further away from its nominal 5940 allocation. Much of last year, I noted it between 5939.8 and 5939.88 kHz. Portuguese religious talks at 0940, poor signal at this time of the year for us, but will improve as we approach the winter months. 17/2 (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic, Yaesu FT DX 3000,

Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu FRG100, Double Bazooka antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 9587, Super R·dio Deus È Amor via R·dio Globo ñ S„o Paulo (Presumed), 0315, 2/23/15 in Portuguese. Program of instrumental and mellow vocals ñ not usual for Super R·dio. Fair. Later found that David Miranda reputedly died this day which may have accounted for the subdued music (Mark Taylor, Madison, Wisconsin, Perseus, WinRadio g313e, Eton e1, Grundig Satellit 800 & G3, Sangean 909X with clear mod, Tecsun PL 660; 40 meters dipole, RF Systems Mk 2, Flextenna, NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 9724.97, RB2. Obviously airing a Mass at 2354 tune-in. Came back at 2306 and found a series of canned announcements including ID/promo, then into next program at 2307 suddenly cut off and gone at 2308:10. Very good signal (1 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11747 & 11813, Feb 26 at 0627, crackling spurs of 11780.1v, RNA/RNB are still audible.

11745 & 11815, Feb 27 at 0206, crackle spurs from 11780.1 RNA/RNB. 11760 RHC is also splattering, so I make sure the garbage around 11745 modulation spikes are matching 11780.1 on another receiver, not 11760.

11747 & 11813, Feb 28 at 0647, crackling spurs from RNA/RNB 11780.1v remain, as obviously nothing is being done about them, and my frequent reports appearing i.a. on the radioescutas group are no longer spurring anyone to action (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hey Glenn, I went to south of Bahia (Brazil state) last week. RNA was an easy catch almost all days, so strong I heard it with the telescopic antenna closed and only the headphones. And, here's the strange thing: no spurs! I will give a try with the SDRs available in NAmer to replicate the issue you've been reporting. Is there any time of the day the spurs are specially strong? -- pu3hag huelbe (Huelbe Garcia, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Hi Huelbe, The same here in South East of Brazil (the aerial distance from S„o Bernardo to BrasÌlia is +/- 880 km). No spurs, never. I use to listen SW with several different receivers and antennas (telescopic, horizontal, vertical, magnetic loop, miniwhip, etc.), and never verified spurs on 11780. Perhaps in other regions, but not where I live (near by the big city of S„o Paulo). Also, in many cases I listened RNA 11780 via remote receiver (Joensuu Finland), and RNA just

on 11780, also no spurs. 73, (Rudolf Grimm, ibid.)

Huelbe & Rudolf, The RNA 11747v & 11813v spurs (and sometimes more further out) I usually hear when I am monitoring around 0100 or 0600 UT. They should be there any time during the evening. This is when the fundamental is also strongest.

It would be nice if you could confirm them, but I am absolutely sure they exist as heard in North America. It may happen that they do not bother any Brazilian stations, but they should be totally eliminated. No doubt a proper sweep of the band close to the transmitter site would show them up. I did report an instance of a second-order spur interfering with Argentina on 11711, if that should get their attention. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

11747 & 11813, March 1 at 0633, very poor but audible crackling from RNB/RNA 11780.1v; standard remarx.

11813 & 11747, March 2 at 0625, the 11780.1v RNA/RNB distorted, crackly spurs are very poorly audible.

11747 & 11813, March 3 at 0109, crackling spurs from 11780.1v, RNB/RNA are audible.

11710 approx., March 4 at 0641, crackling spurs from RNA/RNB 11780.1v are stronger than usual tonight, audiblizing this second-order one which earlier in evening would have QRMed Argentina. 11745 & 11815 are really loud, but can`t make out a second-order match on the hi side, circa 11850 (plus and minus ~35 kHz, and then 70 kHz).

I keep reporting these but nothing is done about them. DXers Rudolf Grimm and Huelbe Garcia in different parts of Brazil say they have tried to hear the spurs but cannot, and it seems no one else ever bothers to report them from North America. For those who may doubt they exist, I have finally bothered to record a sample tonight for 100+ seconds at 0643 March 4 on the analog-tuned FRG-7: http://www.w4uvh.net/RNASpurs.rm

I start on 11710 and you can hear the crackling, then tune up to NZ on 11725 (English), then the major spur on 11745, then RNA fundamental 11780.1v, then the matching spur on 11815, back down to 11780 and a bit back and forth as the sidebands are noisy too, 11745 garbage again, past 11725 NZ again, and ending on 11710 spur again. You may notice the similarity of the spur modulation to that on the clear fundamental. I assure you that there would be a total match if you compared them on two receivers, as I have done numerous times just to be absolutely sure where they are coming from (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11915.2, R. Ga˙cha. Didnít seem like there was any audio on 11914.97 BSKSA at 2258 tune-in so Ga˙cha was audible weakly with M announcing a futebol match. Took a short break for an ID at 2302:20. Was gone at 0007 check. Good signal once BSKSA left at 2300 but the modulation was low (1 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11935, R. RB2 (Curitiba, PR), 0152-0203+ 21 Feb. Very pleased to catch RB2 this evening with Portuguese religious chat, quiet contemporary-style hymn, ID + "Radio RB Dois" jingle at 0158, long promo/PSA with phone number, perhaps a list of stations at 0200 (R. Cultura da Bahia, RN da ?? were mentioned). // 6040 very weak & 9725 unheard (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA, G5/PL606 + 6m X wire via Bob Wilkner, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 15190, Radio InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte, 1950-2010, 28-02, Portuguese, soccer, advertisements, identification: "InconfidÍncia". 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Tecsun PL-880, cable antenna 8 meters and Degen 31MS, active Loop antenna, Logs in Friol, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190.1, R. InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte MG, 1933-1955, 01/3, relato de jogo de futebol Guarani x AtlÈtico; 35433, e a melhorar.
15190.1, idem, 1435-..., 01/3, texto; 15331.
(Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA. [Re 15-08]. Spaceshuttle Radio having some audio feed problems? Hello DXers, Checking the special transmission of Spaceshuttle Radio on 9600 from 1830 UT: They started with a song then YL talking in Dutch, I guess followed by OM talking in Dutch introducing hits, some IDs and giving the postal address in Holland. Around 1832 UT there was a complete silence: the carrier is on but no audio whatsoever! All the best (Tarek Zeidan, Cairo, Egypt, Sent from my iPad, March 1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Audio back at 1843z (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dxldyg via DXLD)

Checking frequency here on East coast USA at 1850, nothing heard. Signal shows up on Perseus screen but no audio evident (Stephen Wood, Harwich, Mass., ibid.)

Yes, open carrier, dead air 1830-1843. Videos will be uploaded after few minutes -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

I am getting fair to poor reception QTH Madrid, 9600.03 kHz, sync locked at 1846 UT --- English ID and rock music on Sony ICFSW-77. I'll upload an iPad video on FB page SW listeners Worldwide - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t-g3WfXGEm4

Broadcast and carrier cut off abruptly at 1901 UT with male Dutch announcer still speaking (Marty DelfÌn, Madrid, Spain, Sony ICFSW-77, telescopic on my window, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I caught something at 1852 tune in, with what looked like a tone or carrier 800 kHz low, but nothing now at 1855. Too weak for any audio though to WCNA. 73 (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

SECRETLAND Radio Spaceshuttle WS via Secretbrod on Sunday, March 1:
1800-1830 on 9600 SCB 100 kW / 306 deg to WeEu Radio Spaceshuttle WS
1830-1843 on 9600 SCB 100 kW / 306 deg to WeEu open carrier/dead air
1843-1900 on 9600 SCB 100 kW / 306 deg to WeEu repeat 1800 broadcast
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/upcoming-transmission-of-radio.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

Dear listeners, Radio Spaceshuttle is transmitting during coming weekend as follows:

"Early Bird Fly" - international music magazine on 6070 kHz, 49mb Saturday 7th of March 2015 0430-0630 UT for our European and New Foundland ;) listeners.

"Power of Rock" on 9600 kHz, 31 mb Sunday 8th of March 2015 1800-1900 UT using omnidirectional HQ-antenna to a bit larger listening area.

Please send ideas of programs and music you like to hear from Spaceshuttle. We would like to fulfill your requests in special musical shows in future. I wish you will have fun with our programes also in future! Please tell you thoughts to us by e-mail: spaceshuttleradio@yhaoo.com

During this weekend we shall send e-mail verifications to all reports came to our e-mail from transmissions made this year. And reports got to our P. O. Box until this (you got first our e-mail QSL and later posted one to your mail addresses). Your letters/reception reports are very welcome to our address in Herten:
Radio Spaceshuttle International
P. O. Box 2702
NL: 6049 ZG Herten
The Netherlands

A little fee (2 euros) for return postage (for full info printed QSLs)

is needed! Quick responce and communication is possible by e-mail:
spaceshuttleradio@yahoo.com
Best Regards! Dick of Radio Spaceshuttlele (via ODXA yg via dXLD)

** BULGARIA. Cancelled broadcasts of EU News Network and TOM on March 2 and 3, all: 11600 SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu

0800-0815 English Mon-Fri EU News Network
0815-1000 English Mon-Fri Brother Stair
1000-1015 English Mon-Fri EU News Network
1015-1300 English Mon-Fri Brother Stair

And continues with reduced duration:
1300-1315 English Mon-Fri EU News Network
1300-1550 English Sat/Sun Brother Stair
1315-1500 English Mon-Fri Brother Stair
1500-1515 English Mon-Fri EU News Network
1515-1550 English Mon-Fri Brother Stair
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, March 2, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CAMBODIA [non]. TAJIKISTAN. Changes of Voice of Khmer M'Chas Srok effective from February 15
1130-1200 17860 DB 200 kW / 125 deg SEAs Khmer Thu/Sun only, ex Daily
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/changes-of-voice-of-khmer-mchas-srok.html
(Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

February 26:
Voice of Khmer M'Chas Srok in Khmer 1130 on 17860 Dushanbe
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D8pVmlJ-0k0&feature=youtu.be
Voice of Khmer M'Chas Srok in Khmer 1144 on 17860 Dushanbe
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B6LjI-zC-ME&feature=youtu.be
Voice of Khmer M'Chas Srok in Khmer 1158 on 17860 Dushanbe
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UEJYPuCFgRE&feature=youtu.be
March 1:
Voice of Khmer M'Chas Srok in Khmer 1130 on 17860 Dushanbe
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ONdOUJWh6zI&feature=youtu.be
Voice of Khmer M'Chas Srok in Khmer 1158 on 17860 Dushanbe
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zl-I2C9yhLA&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CANADA. 1610, March 3 at 0124 UT, early/baroque music catches my ear, from the NE/SW, must be CHHA Toronto, in better than usual.
http://chha1610am.ca/program/
schedule shows 8-9 pm ET is still supposed to be Portuguese. At 0127 UT I notice an especially heavy bass beat strumming, 0129 UT into rap, 0131 UT tones/IS and English ``CHHA 1610-AM`` ID. At 0655 UT I am

again getting a heavy bass beat, tune recognizable as ``Tristeza n„o tem fim`` from Orfeu Negro by Jobim. The 12-6 am ET span is merely `Latin Music Mix` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. Pirate Bloc Radio on CKUT!!!

Eastern Bloc and CKUT are teaming up for a novel radio project, dedicated to emerging artistic practices, with special attention to those occurring on the Montreal digital arts scene. The first edition will take place on March 5th at 8:00 PM with two invited artists: Alejo Duque, the projectís main source of inspiration, and Audrey Samson, currently artist-in-residence at Eastern Bloc.

PirateBlockRadio was the object of Duqueís residency in the Eastern Bloc Lab in 2014. Setting up a station functioning as an open channel or laboratory, he transformed free radio waves into a site of experimentation. Duque, operating out of the Lab, would pair a local FM radio transmitter with an Internet-based station and encourage their open interaction and dissemination. The pirate radio station served to examine the conditions and structures of radio technology and corporate telecommunications and proposes a set of concrete ways to hack these structures. The station engaged with all types of programming ó artistic, political, theoretical, etc. ó in the hopes of inciting dialogue and critique within the local and international digital art community.

In their residency project, Audrey Samson orchestrates a funeral for digital footprints and identities. Samson collects USB keys and other storage devices and, by request, coats them in epoxy, forever sealing them. In a previous manifestation of the project, she received the material, embalmed them, and returned them to the sender. The participants could then preserve their symbolic funeral object. The collected storage devices will form an installation (via CKUT International Radio Report March 1 via Artie Bigley, DXLD)

This will be on the first Thursday of each month only, i.e. 0100-0200 UT Friday March 6, thence 0000-0100 UT Fridays during DST (gh, DXLD)

** CANADA. CELEBRATING? 70 YEARS OF RADIO CANADA INTERNATIONAL

The flood of wonderful memories, fueled by the old and not so old photos of Radio Canada Internationalís 70 years, is now, as I write this, suddenly mixed with regret, lost opportunities, and missing colleagues.

In a way I dreaded this anniversary, not knowing how to deal with this important milestone.

RCI has survived all these years since its first broadcast on February 25, 1945, as Canadaís Voice to the World. But now, almost three years after an 80% budget cut that took us off shortwave radio, cutting us off from our listeners, how do you celebrate? How do you not look with some exasperation, regretfully, wistfully, at how little people, even colleagues, know about RCIís proud achievements, and its path-breaking innovations?

The contradictions of how some viewed us and the reality is almost too much to bear. People say we used outdated technology, werenít moving with the times, and no longer needed to explain Canada to the world.

Yet none of this is true.

Using shortwave radio we reached every corner of the globe. Using satellite, LPs, tape cassettes, CDs, Facebook, Twitter, partnerships with local stations in other countries, we reached the worldís citizens. People who, surprising as some might find, were very curious about this huge democracy called Canada, that tried to carve out its place in the world, beside the huge super-power to the south.

The other day a colleague asked me about a service referred to in French as ìTranscriptionsî and had no idea what it was about. As I talked about RCIís record label that recorded Glenn Gould, Oscar Peterson, and a host of other classical, jazz and pop musicians, I saw my colleagueís eyes widen in surprise.

ìWe had a record label?î Yes, a respected catalogue of records which won Juno music awards, and was part of RCIís mandate of telling the world about Canada, along with so many other services. Imagine, we broadcast live election night coverage of federal elections around the world, created an election website with instantaneous results in seven languages, sent out radio lessons to teach English and French, and produced area specific programming for Africa, Europe, Asia and the Americas, in English and French, in addition to all the other languages we broadcast in.

I shake my head as I hear people saying we need to change with the times, really get on board with the Internet. I shake my head because some of us were putting RCI on the web before there was a web.

The list of RCIís achievements and all the talented people who worked for it could be the stuff of a television documentary series. But sadly, no one seems interested now.

A death by a thousand cuts, such an apt description, such a horrible process.

Youíd think we would appreciate the experience of 70 years, the achievements of generations of journalists, producers, and technicians. And this week we trot out the old photos, say how great it is that RCI has been around for 70 years. Then weíll roll up the posters, the displays, and put the awards weíve won back in the cupboard.

We should have been allowed to think and work for the future. Because, our mandate to tell the world about Canada in a contextualized way, understandable to anyone, even someone whoís never been here, hasnít gone away. Nor has the need for the honest journalism that many of us believe in, a journalism so necessary for those listening to what a country like us had to deal with and has to offer.

Wouldnít it be incredible, if after the celebrations, we could concretely renew Radio Canada International? Build on our strengths and our experience, and not be limited by false constraints? Lovely dream.

Article by Admin RCI Action

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Source:
http://rciaction.org/blog/2015/02/25/celebrating-70-years-of-radio-canada-international/
Feb 25 (via Horacio Nigro, CX3BZ, "La Galena del Sur", Montevideo, Uruguay, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

** CANADA. EXPERIMENTAL FILM SHOWS LIFE AND DEATH OF RCI ANTENNA SITE
A bittersweet pair of videos from RCI:
"A sound project by interdisciplinary artist Amanda Dawn Christie turned into a unique film record of the end of the shortwave transmitter site of Radio Canada International."
<http://www.rcinet.ca/en/2015/02/26/experimental-film-shows-life-and-death-of-rci-antenna-site/>
73 (Jeremy Maris, G3XDK, March 2, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

** CANADA [and non]. Quote Originally Posted by egrabow: ``I guess that leaves Cuba as the big analog target. Has Canada shut off their last analogs yet?``

I think there are just a handful in some rural areas. One of the last big ones to go was CKND-2 in Minnedosa, MB last summer. There was a

list on wtfda.org with those remaining but it's not there now.

That will just leave Cuba, Central and South America for analog next summer (2016). At least some of you down south will have some single hop analogs left. Up here it's either double hop or nothing. Last summer it was nothing (Mike Bugaj, Enfield, CT, -72 30' W/41 59' N, FN31RX, Mike's TV and FM DX Page Online since 1999 and still going! Feb 26, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Not all of them. I watched CKCO3 (analog 42, Oil Springs ON) at my mother's house the other day, and recently heard a very weak carrier on 55.240 MHz (analog channel 2-) from the north (on an amateur radio in CW mode, which is far, far more sensitive than any TV set), which I am assuming was CHBX in Sault Sainte Marie.

The way I read things, it seems Canadian analog transmitters in "non-mandatory markets" could conceivably keep running into the 22nd century, if their owners are willing to maintain them, and they are able to access their transmitter sites! Problem is, we know they won't run them forever, and many are being shut down, often without notice (witness the fact I went all summer thinking I was hearing CKCO2, not knowing it had been off for months).

I suspect the following analog transmitters are still on the air (if anyone knows any of these to be off the air, please say so!):

2- CKBQ Melfort, SK (CTV)
2- CHBX Sault Ste Marie, ON (CTV Northern Ontario)
2z CKPG Princ George, BC (City TV)
2+ CFRN5 Lac La Biche, AB (CTV Edmonton)
2+ CJCH5 Sheet Harbour, NS (CTV Atlantic) - thought I had read it was gone, but still on Wikipedia) (also known for its peculiar frequency instability)

3-. CFRN2 Peace River, AB (CTV)
3-, CFQC1 Stranraer, SK (CTV)
3z CFTK Terrace, BC (CBC - but privately owned)
3z CITM, 100 Mile House, BC (Global BC)
3z CICI1, Elliot Lake, ON (CTV Northern Ontario)
3z CKRN3 Bearn-Fabre, QC (Ici - but privately owned)
3+ CITO, Timmins, ON (CTV Northern Ontario)
3+ CKLT1, Florenceville, NB (CTV Atlantic)
3+ CJCB6, Port Hawkesbury, NS (CTV Atlantic)

4- CITO3, Hearst, ON (CTV Northern Ontario)
4- CIII4, Owen Sound, ON (Global Toronto) (If I don't hear a carrier this summer, I'll presume they're dead)
4z, CJCB, Sydney, NS (CTV Atlantic) - thought I had read it was

gone, but still on Wikipedia)
4+ CFJC, Kamloops, BC (City TV)
4+ CKYB, Brandon, MB (CTV)
4+ CHAT1, Pivot, AB (City TV)
4+ CKEM1, Red Deer, AB (?)

5z CJDC, Dawson Creek, BC (CBC - but privately owned)
5z CICI, Sudbury, ON (CTV Northern Ontario)
5+ CKCW2, St. Edward, PEI (CTV Atlantic) (too bad I have WLMB here to block it - would love to log PEI)

6- CKCK2, Willow Bunch, SK (CTV)
6- CJOH6, Desoronto, ON (CTV Ottawa) - like CJCB, thought I had read it was gone, but still on Wikipedia)
6z CHAT, Medicine Hat, AB (City TV)
6z CJCB1. Inverness, NS (CTV Atlantic)
6+ CFTK1 Prince Rupert, BC (CBC - but privately owned)
6+ CHKM. Kamloops, BC (Global BC)
6+ CFQC2, North Battleford, SK (CTV)
6+ CJCH6, Caledonia, NS (CTV Atlantic)

I think the digital transition there is something of a mess, with the result that Global and TVA decided to maintain its small-market access by converting their facilities to digital, whilst CTV decided to keep relying on its analog transmitters (must be an inconvenience for some viewers to switch between analog and digital to change channels), and CBC, as well as TVO, deciding rural viewers don't want them and that they don't need rural viewers (Robert Grant, Engineer, Fingerboard Corners & Warmley R.R., in Michigan? Feb 28, ibid.)

Re: I suspect the following analog transmitters are still on the air (if anyone knows any of these to be off the air, please say so!): WITH ADDITIONS, and repeating initial list above

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2- CHBX Sault Ste Marie, ON (CTV Northern Ontario)
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All still listed by Industry Canada. Also:
CFCN-TV-16 Oyen, AB (CTV)
CIII-TV-2 Bancroft, ON (Global)

3-. CFRN2 Peace River, AB (CTV)
3-, CFQC1 Stranraer, SK (CTV)

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3+ CJCB6, Port Hawkesbury, NS (CTV Atlantic)

Also:
CISA-TV-1 Burmis, AB (Global)
CH2030 Endako, BC (Global)
CKTN-TV-3 Nelson, BC (Global)
CKKM-TV Oliver, BC (Global)

4- CITO3, Hearst, ON (CTV Northern Ontario)
4- CIII4, Owen Sound, ON (Global Toronto) (If I don't hear a carrier this summer, I'll presume they're dead)
4z, CJCB, Sydney, NS (CTV Atlantic) - thought I had read it was gone, but still on Wikipedia)
4+ CFJC, Kamloops, BC (City TV)
4+ CKYB, Brandon, MB (CTV)
4+ CHAT1, Pivot, AB (City TV)
4+ CKEM1, Red Deer, AB (?)
CKEM1 is also CityTV. CIII4 is no longer listed so presumably dead.

Add:
CFRN-TV-9 Slave Lake, AB (CTV)
CH2013 McBride, BC (Global)

5z CJDC, Dawson Creek, BC (CBC - but privately owned)
5z CICI, Sudbury, ON (CTV Northern Ontario)
5+ CKCW2, St. Edward, PEI (CTV Atlantic) (too bad I have WLMB here to block it - would love to log PEI)

CKCW2 is no longer listed.

Add:
CFCN-TV-4 Burmis, AB (CTV)
CKVU-TV-1 Courtenay, BC (CityTV)
CFCN-TV-9 Cranbrook, BC (CTV)
CFJC-TV-6 100 Mile House, BC (CityTV)
CH4467 Ootsa Lake, BC (unknown)
CHRO-TV Pembroke, ON (CTVtwo)
CFER-TV-2 Sept-Iles, QC (TVA)

6- CKCK2, Willow Bunch, SK (CTV)
6- CJOH6, Desoronto, ON (CTV Ottawa) - like CJCB, thought I had

read it was gone, but still on Wikipedia)
    6z CHAT, Medicine Hat, AB (City TV)
    6z CJCB1. Inverness, NS (CTV Atlantic)
    6+ CFTK1 Prince Rupert, BC (CBC - but privately owned)
    6+ CHKM. Kamloops, BC (Global BC)
    6+ CFQC2, North Battleford, SK (CTV)
    6+ CJCH6, Caledonia, NS (CTV Atlantic)

    (all match I-C database)

There are also 102 stations of less than 100 watts ERP on channels 2-6. And, nine VHF-low *digital* stations.

I think the digital transition there is something of a mess, with the result that Global and TVA decided to maintain its small-market access by converting their facilities to digital, whilst CTV decided to keep relying on its analog transmitters (must be an inconvenience for some viewers to switch between analog and digital to change channels), and CBC, as well as TVO, deciding rural viewers don't want them and that they don't need rural viewers.

Global agreed to convert their transmitters to digital by next year in order to get approval of a merger with Shaw Communications. I'm not entirely sure why TVA is converting, although I've heard cable penetration is far lower in Quebec than in the other provinces. CBC and TVO faced budget challenges, especially in light of the huge rural transmitter networks run by both stations (often, shared). (On the other hand, CBC still maintains an extensive network of sites for FM *radio*...) (Doug Smith W9WI, Pleasant View, TN EM66, http://www.w9wi.com ibid.)

** CHILE. 7550, RCW, 26/2 0210-0332 UT. M˙sica y versiÛn local de ìHappy Stationî o ìEstaciÛn de la AlegrÌaî con llamados telefÛnicos en vivo, solicitud de canciones y saludos. Junto a temas como la onda corta y otras conversaciones entre Cucho Zavala y JosÈ Novero. SINPO: 55444 (Claudio Galaz, RX: Realistic DX-160; ANT: Beverage, 40 metros; QTH: Barraza Bajo, IV RegiÛn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** CHINA. [First, JAMMERS arranged in chronological order --- gh]

9350, Firedragon 2/25, 1140. Good, with Fair, // 7470.
9230, CNR1, 2/25, 1142. M in Chinese, excellent signal, but only one heard (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, HQ-200 & Slinky, Grundig Satellit 750, Drake R8, random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6030, CNR1, Canned announcements by M and also W, some with music bed. // to the CNR1 jammers 6280 (poor), 11500 (very good), 12870, and 12910. All the jammers went off by 2300 but this remained. (25 Feb) 73

(Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12910, CNR1, 2/26, 1240. M and W dialogue in Chinese. Good, with VG //s on 9300 and 6870.

7470, Firedragon, 2/26, 1245. Poom-poom-poommm. No // transmitter heard. 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, HQ-200 & Slinky, Grundig Satellit 750, Drake R8, random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CNR1 jammers morning of Feb 26:
9155, Feb 26 at 1353, CNR1 jammer, very good with flutter; but not in synch with the next two

9230, Feb 26 at 1353, CNR1 jammer, very good with flutter

9350, Feb 26 at 1353, CNR1 jammer, fair and synch with 9230 not 9155

No full bandscan until next hour, starting with:

12910, Feb 16 at 1438, CNR1 jammer, very good; none in the 17s, 14s, 11s, 10s, 8s, but:

13665, Feb 26 at 1439, CNR1 jammer, fair // 12910

9680, Feb 26 at 1443, CNR1 jammer, good, not much victim QRM now

9605, Feb 26 at 1444, CNR1 jammer, good but not synch with others

9530, Feb 26 at 1445, CNR1 jammer, poor

7445, Feb 26 at 1446, CNR1 jammer, fair with CCI, not synch 12910

7385, Feb 26 at 1446, CNR1 jammer, good, only echo apart from 12910

6145, Feb 26 at 1447, CNR1 jammer, very poor but // 12910

17585, Feb 26 at 1449, CNR1 jammer, poor

15745, Feb 26 at 1449, CNR1 jammer, fair // 12910
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7300, CNR1 in Chinese, 1600-1613, Feb 26. Very strong signal with music and talk, apparently ìlocalî rather than international programming. Female commentator. // 7385, 6175, 6145, 6125 and 6075
(Vince Henley, 4306 Shelby Court, Anacortes, WA, Equipment currently

in use: Tecsun PL-380, JRC NRD-525, Drake R8B; Antennas are half-meter whip on PL-380 and Alpha-Delta DX-Ultra installed broadside east-west, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

10870, CNR1, 2/27, 1125. Two M in Chinese in dialogue. VG with VG // on 11430. No other //s or Firedragon stations heard at this time. 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, HQ-200 & Slinky, Grundig Satellit 750, Drake R8, random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7470, Firedragon jammer, 2/28, 1230. Station here revealed itself to be only Chinese jammer at this time. VG. 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, HQ-200 & Slinky, Grundig Satellit 750, Drake R8, random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7210, Firedrake Jammer, 2252, 2/28/15. Chinese traditional music jamming loop versus Radio Free Asia (unheard) via Sound of Hope transmitter in Taiwan (Mark Taylor, Madison, Wisconsin, Perseus, WinRadio g313e, Eton e1, Grundig Satellit 800 & G3, Sangean 909X with clear mod, Tecsun PL 660; 40 meters dipole, RF Systems Mk 2, Flextenna, NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

13980, CNR1, 3/1, 1030. M and W in Chinese. Good with chop. VG // 14920. Also 9280 (poor) and 9230 (VG).

7470, The Firedragon, 3/1, 1125. VG with excellent // on 9350.

9155, CNR1, 3/1, 1140. M in Chinese and VG. Later followed by Chinese music, similar to Firedragon music but with vocal! Excellent // found on 13890, 10870 and 12980. Poor on 11100. 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, HQ-200 & Slinky, Grundig Satellit 750, Drake R8, random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

16530, March 3 at 1359 tune-in to a bit of music, and timesignal to 1400:00, then only carrier, very poor. Must have been CNR1 jammer against a listed Sound of Hope frequency (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also TIBET [non]

13070.005, CNR1 (jammer on SOH), 1052 Chinese talk by M and W. Some soundbites. Canned announcement from 1056 to 1100 ToH as usual. Time ticks and off. Never noted this odd frequency before. // to about 8 other frequencies. Much stronger on the Delta Loop, but fading (4 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

14920, March 4 at 1354, CNR1 jammer, fair // 9680; none in the 12s, or inband 13s.

15775, March 4 at 1357, CNR1 jammer, poor, abutting the BS on 15770. HFCC has nothing on 15775 except Vatican at 1530 in AM, but that`s really DRM. Aoki shows, you guessed it, a 100-watt Sound of Hope available for long hours on 15775, attracting the jammer, but not necessarily at all times on all days.

16100, March 4 at 1358, CNR1 jammer, fair

16450, March 4 at 1359, CNR1 jammer, very poor; none in the 17s
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. /U.K(non) Strong co-ch between unscheduled program of CRI and BBC:
1700-1757 5910 KUN 500 kW / 283 deg to SoAs Hindi CRI new from Feb.18
1700-1800 5910 SLA 250 kW / 035 deg to WeAs Dari/Pashto BBC, 3 video:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/strong-co-ch-between-unscheduled.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #898 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, March 2, 2015 via DXLD)

[and now, one China log which is NOT about jamming! --- gh]

** CHINA. 5990: Hi Dave, no doubt it is Qinghai Tibetan Service. They have moved to in-band frequencies and using 50 kW now instead of former 15. See for example here:
http://wrth.com/updates_national.html

Qinghai PBS: has made some SW schedule changes: Chinese 2200-1600 on 6145 and 9780 kHz and Tibetan Sce 2250-1600 on 5990 kHz and 9850 kHz. 4220 and 4750 kHz are off.

Unfortunately qhtb.cn/radio doesn't offer live stream to compare. But similar start on 9850 kHz with 1 kHz test tone already on at 2220. Did you check 9850 kHz? At 2250 is that National Anthem? I attach a recording starting at 2252, but unfortunately speech audio seems very distorted and they don't seem to have the trilingual ID any more at that time, as they had on 4220 kHz in the old days; also attached. CRI Russian starts at 2300 on 5990 kHz and blocks it completely. 73,
(Mauno Ritola, Finland, SW Bulletin March 1 via DXLD)

** COLOMBIA. 5910, Alcarav·n Radio/La Voz de tu Conciencia, Puerto Lleras, 0518-0640, 01-03, Latin American songs, identification "AM Alcarav·n Radio y en onda corta, La Voz de tu Conciencia, la voz de Colombia para el mundo", "Aqui en La Voz de tu Conciencia, del sistema Alcarav·n Radio". 24322! (MÈndez)

6010, La Voz de tu Conciencia, Puerto Lleras, 0516-0550, 01-03, religious songs, Spanish, 23322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Tecsun

PL-880, cable antenna 8 meters and Degen 31MS, active Loop antenna, Logs in Friol, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO DR. 5066.33, R Tele Candip, Bunia, 0248, Feb 01, up-tempo local pop songs, male speaker with ID as îLa Radio Candipî - seems to be signing on even earlier than before, some time after 0200, but before 0300, 45333 (Graham Bell, South Africa, DSWCI DX Window March 4 via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

5066.33, R. Candip, Bunia. This is more regularly heard these days now that the CW marker station appears to have gone, although the frequency is still subject to other digital signals on occasions. Noted at 1815 with Afro music and French chat, poor signal on 24/2 (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic, Yaesu FT DX 3000, Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu FRG100, Double Bazooka antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD)

** CUBA. Again wrong frequency of Cuban Spy Number HM01 on Feb 23:
0654-0748 9330 secret/hidden tx Bauta?-Cuba Spanish Sun/Mon/Wed/Fri
0748-0754 9330 secret/hidden tx Bauta?-Cuba open carrier / dead air
0754-0804 9330 secret/hidden tx Bauta?-Cuba Spaniah,instead of 9065
from 0804 9065 secret/hidden tx Bauta?-Cuba Spanish Sun/Mon/Wed/Fri
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/wrong-frequency-of-cuban-spy-number.html

Frequency changes of Cuban Spy Number HM01 in 0554-0748 UT time slot:
0554-0648 NF 14375 secret/hidden tx Bauta? Tue/Thu/Sat, ex 9330
0554-0648 on 10345 secret/hidden tx Bauta? Su/Mo/We/Fr as scheduled
0654-0748 NF 13435 secret/hidden tx Bauta? Tue/Thu/Sat, ex 10345
0654-0748 on 9330 secret/hidden tx Bauta? Su/Mo/We/Fr as scheduled
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/frequency-changes-of-cuban-spy-number.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #898 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, March 2, 2015 via DXLD)

** CUBA. 15700, Feb 26 at 1400, no CRI English relay audible, just crackling audio, until JIP news at 1401, crackle still audible underneath. Likewise on 15370 RHC Spanish. Wiggle those patchcords? Or something more serious, like antenna wires flapping, shorting in the breeze.

17730, Feb 28 at 1421, RHC is doing an annoying voice-over translation from English to Spanish, evidently from a (live?) press conference in W·shington about the negotiations to normalize diplomatic relations with USA. Mentions Vienna Convention. It`s annoying because the original English is about as loud as the Spanish, and I am unable to ignore one and concentrate on the other. {Perhaps if I only understood one of the languages, I could.} Do they ever listen to their own

broadcasts and notice such a problem?

13740, March 1 at 0634, very big open carrier, obviously an RHC transmitter used earlier in evening; 13820 residual pulse jamming against MartÌ[non] is also well audible, so MUF is up. Furthermore, RHC is still audible but weaker on the only Spanish frequency intentionally scheduled until 0700, 15230.

17730, March 4 at 1401, open carrier/dead air from RHC; all other frequencies on 15, 11, 9 MHz check out OK. Finally at 1414 some modulation sporadically starts, but causes(?) the unit to dump off the air, back on and off and on with modulation added, eventually settles down and stays on.

17730, March 4 at 2059, RHC with brief announcement in English! presumably linked into the 11760 feed, IS several times and dead air: carrier stays on past 2127, presumably the whole hour break until resuming at 2200. What a waste! While countless Cubans survive on food rationing.

Note: look for 1-hour shifts earlier in some RHC programming, especially Spanish, from March 8, as daylight-shifting is imposed in lockstep with Yanqui Imperialism, and a so-called international service fails to stick to UT yearound (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [non]. U.S. PROPOSES MAKING RADIO MARTI, BROADCASTER TO CUBA, INDEPENDENT === Reuters, By Arshad Mohammed, Warren Strobel and David Adams, Washington/Miami March 3, 2015
http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/03/03/us-usa-cuba-broadcaster-idUSKBN0LZ2ET20150303

The White House has proposed turning Radio Marti [sic: accents deleted thruout], a U.S. government-controlled broadcaster created in part to undermine communist rule in Cuba, into a separate entity as Washington seeks rapprochement with Havana.

The proposal, buried in the federal budget released last month, was made some six weeks after the United States and Cuba agreed on Dec. 17 to embark on an effort to restore diplomatic ties and normalize relations after more than 50 years of enmity.

U.S. officials said the proposal was unrelated to the Cuba outreach and aimed at modernizing the broadcaster.

However, it has troubled critics of the thaw with Cuba, who view the proposed change as part of what they regard as the White House's abandonment of the fight against the authoritarian Castro government,

a congressional aide said.

More details on the proposal will be unveiled on Wednesday, when the administration releases an additional budget document.

A legacy of the U.S. Cold War effort to reach out to people living under Communism and erode support for their rulers, Radio Marti, which beams radio, TV and online news to Cuba, has been accused of anti-Castro bias and is deeply resented by Havana.

Under the plan, the Miami-based broadcaster, which is part of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, an independent federal agency, would become a separate entity along with unspecified parts of Voice of America's (VOA) Spanish-language service.

The entity would cease to be part of the U.S. government, though it would become a "grantee" receiving federal funding.

The proposal does not specify how it would be structured beyond that it would a "private, nonprofit organization."

The proposal would have to be approved by the Republican-led Congress, where some members critical of U.S.-Cuban detente say Washington appears to be giving up its leverage over Havana by easing sanctions without getting sufficient commitments to improve human and political rights in return.

"There is no connection between the proposal in the budget and the policy changes announced December 17 or the Cuban government's position with respect to Radio/TV Marti," said a senior U.S. official who declined to be identified, adding that the aim was "to make it more effective in carrying out its mission."

Asked for the reasoning behind the proposal, BBG spokeswoman Letitia King said the idea was to give the broadcaster greater flexibility on contracting, acquisitions and administration by removing it from regulations that govern the federal government.

King said that if the change were approved by Congress, the transition would take at least two years.

Philip Seib, a professor of journalism and public diplomacy at the University of Southern California, said he doubted that Congress will go along with the proposed changes to Radio and TV Marti, despite what he called the stationsí ineffectiveness.

"I donít know that Congress is going to be eager to do anything that changes that status quo," particularly since many Republicans oppose

Obamaís opening to Cuba, said Seib, who has written extensively about international broadcasting.

(Reporting by David Adams, Arshad Mohammed and Warren Strobel; Writing by Arshad Mohammed; Editing by David Storey and Dan Grebler)
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CYPRUS [non]. Cancelled broadcasts of EU News Network and TOM via Secretbrod from March 1
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/cancelled-broadcasts-of-eu-news-network.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD) See also BULGARIA

** EAST TURKISTAN. Glen[n], This is probably a stupid question but I am curious. On the web site DX zone.com, and on the SHORT-WAVE.INFO frequency listings if you put in CRI and look up their broadcast sites and frequencies, you will see a strange flag beside the Kashi-Shibagh site. It has a light blue color and a crescent moon with a star on it.

When you hold your mouse pointer over the flag it gives a three letter country code that is not listed anywhere I can find, (TKS). The flag bears a resemblance to the flag of the First East Turkestan Republic. My point is that it is not listed as a separate county although it is considered to be the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region. I also know this is an area that has been very troublesome for China with the Uyghur people.

I am wondering why a different country flag? I know RFA broadcasts in Uyghur towards that area. Of course I am always looking for new countries to add to my list as a new DXer. I just thought you might find this tidbit of info unusual. I really don't remember seeing this flag before on this website. That's why I keyed into it and did some research. I do not have a contact e- mail for short-wave. Info nor could I find one on the site. Any ideas? (John Cooper, PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

John, I use neither of those sites, but probably results from copying the Aoki list which has decided to ``recognize`` East Turkestan as an entity separate from China, so Kashgar and Urumqi listings are as TKS. Of course this has no international recognition at all, but ``radio countries`` are however you choose to define them. I also consider East Turkestan separately from China (Glenn to John, via DXLD)

Thank you so much. I thought you might have better insight into the question. It just perplexed me. Thanks for your time (John c., ibid.)

** ECUADOR. While DXing live on Thursday night at around 00:30 EST [0530 UT Feb 27], I had a great surprise when I heard HCRC2 Radio

Caravana on 750 from Guayaquil, Ecuador. From that moment, I began to record a chunk of the band with the Perseus hoping that it could later reveal more surprises on other nearby channels. Surprisingly, after a quick review of the files, there was nothing to cheer for. A few Cubans were observed here and there, but not with authority as the band was largely dominated with domestics.

What surprised me also was the absence of Venezuela on 750, which is usually the dominant LA station here on that channel.

Clip# 1: With the station alone on the frequency, promos including one from the /Pollo Rojo/ restaurant, enumerating typical Ecuadorian dishes from their menu like /Aguado de pollo /and /seco de pollo /
http://www.quebecdx.com/ecuador_hcrc2_750d.mp3
[mentions Ecuador at second 20 --- gh]

Clip# 2: This time, a phone-in report with Radio Caravana mentions. The clip begin with a mix of domestics with WSB among them then around sec. 30, there's a shift in the propagation path and this is where the 25 kW Ecuadorian station retake the lead
http://www.quebecdx.com/ecuador_hcrc2_750c.mp3

Even though this is a relog from 2012, I was very pleased to repeat the experience :) A 5500Km/3400 miles haul (Sylvain Naud, Portneuf, QC, http://www.quebecdx.com Perseus + 350ft/105m Beverage NE-SW, Feb 28, mwdx yg via dXLD)

I happened to be lucky when I tuned 750 and the station was peaking at that same moment. Given the overall conditions, I wouldn't have thought that I would be hearing something so exotic. If it wouldn't have been for that peak, I probably would have given up DX to watch TV :) (Sylvain, March 1, ibid.)

** ECUADOR. 6050, HCJB, Voice of the Andes, at 0329, on 26 Feb. At 0330 an English language program is playing talking about an ice avalanche on Mt Everest that killed 16 people. A male announcer mentioned the effect this had on the Sherpas. A female announcer talked about what job the Sherpas do in climbing and bringing up supplies. The announcers talked about the problems with the amount of money they were offered for the deaths and they went on strike which caused Nepal to stop the remaining Everest climbing season of 2014. Fair (John Cooper, Lebanon, PA, Winradio-G33DDC, CommRadio CR-1A, RF Space-SDR-IQ, Sangean ATS-909X w/ Clear Mod, Tecsun PL-660, Wellbrook ALA 1530+, Super Sloper Tuned All Band Antenna, PARS-SWL End Fed x 2, NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

[and non]. 6050, ELWA - Monrovia (presumed), 2332-2400*. Two stations heard on 6050, both weak with fading. One had religious talk by a man

in a Spanish sounding (more likely indigenous) language (presumed to be HCJB). The other had instrumental hymn music, which changed to vocals in English at 2345 (presumed to be ELWA). ELWA was initially slightly stronger, but faded below HCJB by 2350, and was no longer readable under much stronger talk by 2355. Carrier terminated at 2400. Classify this log as very tentative. 2/24/2015 (Jim Evans, Germantown, TN, Perseus, IC-R75, ICF-SW7600G, PL-880, PL-660, PL-380, Random Wire, Wellbrook Loops (2), NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

Christians clashing with Christians (gh, DXLD)

** EGYPT. 9900, Radio Cairo, at 2115, on 24 Feb. Several time pips followed a station ID in English by a female announcer. This was followed by Middle Eastern music. At 2116 a female announcer began to talk. There is a bad background hum going on which makes the talking JBA but the station is modulating S-9-10 on its signal. At 2118 the female announcer is talking about issues in the West Bank and Gaza. Poor (John Cooper, Lebanon, PA, Winradio-G33DDC, CommRadio CR-1A, RF Space-SDR-IQ, Sangean ATS-909X w/ Clear Mod, Tecsun PL-660, Wellbrook ALA 1530+, Super Sloper Tuned All Band Antenna, PARS-SWL End Fed x 2, NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

Not having paid much attention to R. Cairo lately, I do so now:

9860, UT Fri Feb 27 at 0201, good signal, undermodulated but sufficient with ME music as the English sesquihour is underway. Not distorted ñ that is, until the YL announcer comes on at 0202; bad studio mike and ambiance are part of the problem. Bits of music; 0203 program summary but hard to follow; 0204 over to OM, ``Radio Cairo presents --- this is Islam``, a weekly show. It`s slightly more readable but the accent is a problem. I try to get something out of it but cannot. Now, when are they going to expound on ``this is Coptic``? Then mistimesignal ends at 0214:36.5 --- who would want to set his chronometer at that odd hour? News theme tape wows or snags, as did the music introducing the Islam show. Now the YL newscaster modulation is too high, causing some distortion. Their studio equipment must be very old and worn out; transmitters too. And so it goes.

9905, Feb 27 at 0205, R. Cairo, good signal in Arabic, suppressed and distorted modulation

9965, Feb 27 at 0205, R. Cairo, good signal in other Arabic, this one JBM with whine; no 12s audible now.

15865 approx., March 3 at 1416, very distorted bubbling talk and music, humroar, poor signal, then find exactly same but weaker sounds around 15845 and 15885, plus and minus 20. Eight(?) pulses ending about 1430:15, apparent attempt at a timesignal, and music theme, too

bad to be certain it`s Cairo`s, and talk, still at 1439, and 1458 past 1502 when weaker on all three. Cairo typically plays mistimesignals to open news, even if scheduled at quarter-hours.

Iran and Pakistan are also capable of such crap, but I think Cairo is most likely. Nothing scheduled on any of the three, of course. But Aoki and HFCC have multi-hour Cairo broadcasts nearby: 15790 in Persian from Abu Zaabal, 15800 in Arabic from Abis. I did not notice any signals on those, altho I did not know to check them until researched later (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

On 9900 I picked up a dead carrier about 2011 hours, and some "sound" at 2022 but it was/is unintelligible. Is anyone else getting a usable signal and intelligible audio from Radio Cairo at 9900 SW? Posted by: ("B-T-M", March 4, dxldyg via DXLD)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA [non]. 17790, Feb 26 at 1404, Brother Scare instead of Radio Africa Network on this WRMI frequency, // and synch with intentional BS on 15770, 11825. Still the same at 1433, 1450 chex. Mistaken feed, or backup, default? RAN also deliberately subcontracts BS at certain other hours, but normally hear their own programming now. Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria also noted this until RAN resumed at 1600.

17790, March 2 at 1441 and 1528 chex, no signal from R. Africa Network via WRMI; next check at 1612, it is on (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA. 7175 --- Thanks to Wolfie for his today's alert of this. I monitored (4th March) 7175 from 1600. Signal was good here in Finland. It sounded like usual Eritrean HS program. At around 1730 VOBME ID in Arabic and they closed down around 1830 after the cheerish vocal version of Eritrean N/A (Jari in Finland Savolainen, March 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Unidentified African station, Eritrea, VOBME 1500-1832 UT on 7175
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/unidentified-african-station-eritrea.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, March 4, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Much more under UNIDENTIFIED

** ETHIOPIA [non]. 15515, Sat Feb 28 at 1502, poor signal in unID language. Only thing at this hour in HFCC B-14 is ``Milano``, i.e. IRRS, 150 kW, 145 degrees in Somali on day-6 only == Friday. That was R. Xoriyo, as in WRTH 2015, of the Ogaden National Liberation Front.

Aoki has it better now: ``15515 Raadiyoo Warra Wangeelaa 1500-1530 Day-7 = Sat Oromo/English 150 165 Saftica ROU 4442N 02606E IRRS b14``

I.e. via ROMANIA. And no more Xoriyo on this frequency.

The first log we had of RWW was Oct 4, 2014 from Kouji Hashimoto, Japan. But did not make it into WRTH 2015, not in Target Broadcasts section under Somalia, Ethiopia, or Eritrea.
A version 2 of B-14 pdf update has now been posted dated 23 Feb:
http://www.wrth.com/files/WRTH2015IntRadioSuppl1_B14SchedulesUpdate.pdf

It is in there, not under Targets, but under ITALY, IRRS as if it is not clandestine. Per Facebook it is instead religious [Christian]:
https://www.facebook.com/Radiowarrawangeelaa

``Radio Warra Wangeelaa is a weekly Afan Oromo Gospel radio to the Horn of Africa. The radio broadcasts every Saturday 15:00-15:30 GMT on 15515 kHz on SW`` http://www.uoece.org/

Back in the WRTH 2015 itself, page 470, IRRS listings do not include either 15515 broadcast. The V2 update has a few additions in red, such as two targets to NIGERIA, but still misses ISRAEL being back on SW, tnx to WRN via Global 24 via WRMI 9395 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Videos Feb 21: IRRS relay Radio Warra Wangeelaa ti in Oromo to EaAf 1502 on 15515 Tiganesti
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8RvlLpmceJo&feature=youtu.be
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. 17850, Sat Feb 28 at 1602, fair signal in unID language, lo-fi talk, no jamming until noise (DRM?) starts at 1603.5. Latest HFCC has nothing on 17850 between 15 and 17, but RFI Issoudun before and after. Aoki, however, maintains an A14 schedule:
``17850 Oromo Voice Radio 1600-1630 .2.4..7 Oromo 100 130 Issoudun F 4657N 00159E OVR a14``

The Ethiopian DRM jamming is a constant problem for VOA Radiogram reception in Germany, say Roger`s weekly reports, bleeding over onto 17860 where we are hearing its toning clearly. This is also the one reported with an English broadcast on Mondays only at 1616-1630, Radiyo Sagalee Oromoo, Oromo Voice Radio. It`s in WRTH 2015 page 507 in the Target sexion.

17850, Monday March 2 at 1615, Oromo Voice via FRANCE is opening weekly English segment; YL says ``every Monday at 7:15 pm [Ogaden? Oromiya?] time``; into talk by OM. LSB synch detexion on the PL-880 helps a little, but too much DRM noise jamming to understand anything further (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Videos Feb.28: Oromo Voice Radio, Raadiyoo Sagalee Oromoo in Oromo to

EaAf 1606 on 17850 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fIPbBJK7CZs&feature=youtu.be
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

Strong signal of Oromo Voice Radio, despite heavy DRM noise
1615-1630 17850 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg EaAf English Mon only, videos:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/strong-signal-of-oromo-voice-radio-in.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

Refers to Oromiya as the third largest ``nation`` in Africa, etc. (gh)

17850, CLANDESTINE, Oromo Voice R. (via France) 1600 start with instrumental music and ìR. Sagalee Oromooî IDs by M and girl. Caught the beginning of the English program today at 1614 with opening ID announcement by same girl as heard at 1600 over instrumental HOA music as ìThis is Oromo Voice R. broadcasting. Oromo Voice (is) broadcasting (to Oromiya at) 16 meterband or 17,850 kilohertz (or on) Oromovoice(.org website) Oromiya broadcast ëOromoyia Insightí program every Monday for 15 minutes at 7:15 PM Oromiya) local time. Welcome to (ëOromiya Insightí)î. Text in parentheses are what was uncopiable but noted in Ivoís video. Into talk features in English. At 1629 might have closed with another ID announcement by M as the same instrumental HoA music bed was used as with the opening by the girl, then off at 1630. The white noise jammer made it nearly impossible to copy anything today (2 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. Static Junkie (danmc2k at gmail.com) reports that on February 26 he received a full data electronic QSL from English pirate Bogusman for reception on 6265 kHz on 7 September 2014 at 2037 via the Dutch SDR. Also included with the e-QSL was a data sheet giving the following station info:

"The Bogusman shares his unique commentary on life and Malcolm. His Free Radio journey, starting with appearances on a tower block pirate station, progressing to operations on 48m, then creating 'The Bogus Jobseeker Experience' for a multiband FR station has culminated in the current free thinking, free wheeling, irreverent Bogus brand.

"A vinyl stalwart, the Bogusman brings you contemporary indie releases. Forays into the cavernous depths of the 'Pit Library' unearth classic tracks from decades past. Transmissions are mostly made using valve equipment, with an output power of approximately 200W. Occasionally, a lower-powered solid state transmitter is used. Sites are various and are in England. The antenna is a half-wave

dipole.

"Bogusman is rendered audible thanks to the expertise of the 'Bogus Engineer' and to Mr Armadillo, who has created an online streaming archive of shows at http://internetradio.tripod.com Check this link on Saturday and Sunday evenings, for earlier material from Bogusman and the Ghoul.

"Get Some Bogus!" (via Larry Will, Free Radio Weekly Feb 28 via DXLD)

** FRANCE. Frequency changes of Radio France International from Mar 1
0400-0500 NF 11700 ISS 500 kW / 130 deg to ECAf French, ex 7390
0500-0600 NF 11700 ISS 500 kW / 160 deg to CeAf French, ex 7390
0600-0700 NF 7390 ISS 500 kW / 204 deg to NWAf French, ex 5925
0600-0700 NF 9790 ISS 500 kW / 185 deg to NWAf French, ex 7390
0700-0800 NF 11700 ISS 500 kW / 204 deg to NWAf French, ex 9790
0700-0800 NF 15300 ISS 500 kW / 190 deg to WCAf French, ex 11700
0700-0800 NF 21580 ISS 500 kW / 155 deg to CeAf French, ex 17850
0800-0900 NF 21580 ISS 500 kW / 155 deg to CeAf French, ex 17850
1600-1700 NF 17615 ISS 500 kW / 170 deg to WCAf Hausa, ex 15300
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/frequency-changes-of-radio-france.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** GERMANY [non]. Radio Joystick via Media Broadcast on Sunday, Mar 1:
1100-1200 on 7330 MOS 100 kW / 283 deg to CeEu German 1st Sun, videos
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/radio-joystick-via-media-broadcast-on.htmldx
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD) MOS= Moosbrunn, AUSTRIA

** GERMANY. Subject: AW: 15215 kHz - Radio Oeoemrang ‹bertragung?
Hallo Herr B¸schel, Vielen Dank f¸r Ihre Mail. Auch am 21.02.2015 haben wir f¸r Radio ÷ˆmrang ¸ber Issoudun eine Aussendung von 1600-1700 UTC realisiert. Leider gab es Probleme mit dem Modulationsgrad wodurch nur ein sehr leises Audiosignal ausgestrahlt wurde. Am 08.03.2015 wird eine Wiederholung stattfinden. Viele Gr¸fle, Michael P¸tz (via wb, DXLD)

Due of low audio level of 15215 kHz transmission via Issoudun site on Feb 21, 2015, MBR brokery will repeat: 15215 kHz Radio OeOemrang Amrum isle festivity broadcast on Sunday March 8th on same time 1600-1700 UT and frequency. You may expect S=9+20dB or -51dBm signal strength in eastern part of Canada and US states.

QSL via Cologne
"FMB QSL-Shortwave" <QSL-Shortwave@media-broadcast.com>
(Wolfgang B¸schel, March 3 dxldyg via DXLD)

R. ÷ˆmrang has a listing on page 462 of the 2015 WRTH but with no time

or frequency, and ``does not verify``. MBR does proxy QSLs for most/all of its clients (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. Friends of Radio Channel 292, perhaps you already read it on our homepage; from March 8th until March 22nd we will be off air, due to preparations for our second power amplifier.

Exception: On March 22nd from 10 to 11 UT you can listen to a new program for the DARC (German Amateur Radio Club) on 6070 kHz with 100 kW; perhaps we can start the 10 kW transmitter on the same day in the evening. During the next weeks we hope that we can increase power as planned.

Now, when summer comes and the skip zone during the night becomes smaller, a lot of listeners asked us to run the station at nighttime, too. We would like to, but the problem is, that this would duplicate the energy costs, without creating any new income. And because these costs (not to mention all the other costs) are only covered for about 60% by rented airtime, this is not possible.

We don't want to ask for donations, but we can make you a proposal: Who wants to support us, can book sponsoring for broadcasts at night. This can be for a whole night with 12 hours, or 2 x 6 hours in the evening. For this we need 36 Ä; who can't afford this, may book 6 hours for 18 Ä.

The sponsor can choose, if he wants in his time to hear our regular music program, or a re-broadcast of an Offshore Station of his choice. If he wants, his name will be published on our homepage and in our news mail, and in short spots during his program, that we produce without any costs for him (for Offshore re-broadcasts only possible at the beginning, at the end and between blocks of programming).

Or, if wanted, completely anonymously. Or you subscribe for maybe every first Saturday night each month, or how you like; can be canceled at any time. If you like to support us in this way, please send us a mail! Mit freundlichen Gr¸flen / Kind regards

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** GERMANY [and non]. Deutschland: Der Deutsche Amateur Radio Club e. V. will im M%rz mit eigenen Rundfunksendungen beginnen. Wie Rainer Englert, DF2NU, Vorsitzender des DARC M¸nchen-S¸d mitteilte, sind am 25. Februar entsprechende Sendevertr%ge geschlossen worden.

Das Projektteam plant ein wˆchentliches DX-Magazin von Funkamateuren f¸r Funkamateure, das aktuelle Meldungen aus der Szene, Marktberichte, Technik-Tipps, DX-Meldungen, Interviews und ƒhnliches beinhalten wird, dazu Musik aus den Siebziger- und Achtzigerjahren. Vorbild im Moderations- und Musikstil sollen die legend%ren fr¸heren Piratensender wie Radio Noordzee International, Radio Veronica und Radio Caroline sein.

Die Erstsendung von Radio DARC soll am 22. und 23. M%rz nach folgendem Sendeplan ausgestrahlt werden:
22.3., 10.00-11.00: 6070 (Moosbrunn 100 kW)
23.3., 16.00-17.00: 6070 (Rohrbach 10 kW)

Die spendenfinanzierte Ausstrahlung erfolgt ¸ber zwei Sendepartner, die ˆsterreichische ORS GmbH & Co KG in Wien-Moosbrunn und zweitens ¸ber die Intermedicom GmbH welche einen von Funkamateuren selbst gebauten 10 kW Kurzwellensender in der N%he von Ingolstadt betreibt. Der Inhaber der Intermedicom GmbH ist selbst Funkamateur (DB8QC). Weitere Infos unter http://www.channel292.de (Rainer Englert 25.2.2015 ADDX via ntt aktuell, Maerz via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

** GERMANY [non]. Re: DX LISTENING DIGEST 15-08, February 25, 2015
``ARMENIA/FRANCE Test broadcasts of Deutsche Welle March 2-4
0300-0310 11960 ISS 500 kW 140 deg to EaAF Swahili
0310-0330 11960 ERV 500 kW 192 deg to EaAF Swahili
0400-0410 11960 ISS 500 kW 140 deg to EaAF English
0415-0430 13610 ISS 500 kW 140 deg to EaAF English (DX RE MIX NEWS #897 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov. Feb. 23, via DXLD) Warum?``

These are A-15 DWL morning frequencies via Issoudun. Now they checked present propagation under difficult morning condition, additional as given by SpaceLine from Gavar, - just for free. wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY [non]. Some changes of Media Broadcast:
Missionswerke Arche Stimme des Trostes, no signal on Feb 22 & March 1
1200-1215 6055 NAU 250 kW / 222 deg CeEu German Sun, cancelled
Bible Voice Broadcasting:
1100-1200 21480 MDC 125 kW / 045 deg EaAs English Sat, ex 1100-1130
1115-1130 21480 MDC 125 kW / 045 deg EaAs English Sun, not Eternal

Good News
1130-1145 21480 MDC 125 kW / 045 deg EaAs English Sun, not in Japanese
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/extended-transmission-of-bible-voice.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #898 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, March 2, 2015 via DXLD)

** GOA. 15135, AIR (Panaji), *1515-1535+ 17 Feb. OC, tone, AIR IS into Gujarati programme // 13640, back on listed 15175 18 Feb. At *1515 (no modulation, though), on 15135 at *1515-1524* & *1524+ on 15175 19 Feb., & *1515-29* on 15175 on 20 Feb. -- wonder where they'll be tomorrow? -- back on 15175 at 1540+ 21 Feb, that's where (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA, G5/PL606 + 6m X wire via Bob Wilkner, DXLD)

[and non]. 11775, Feb 27 at 1420, PMS ANGUILLA mixing with an open carrier making rapid SAH, presumably the AIR Nepali service at 1330-1430 via Panaji, except failing to modulate (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. Log: 6479.32 kHz / UNID / at 2216 UT on Feb 20 / O=1-3. Vielleicht ein griechischer Pirat?! (Harald Denzel-D, A-DX Febr 20 via BC-DX 27 Feb via DXLD)

Ja, er feiert das neue EU Geld fuer Griechenland auf
fundamental 1619.825 kHz,
etwas schwaecher auf hx 3239.650 kHz,
und wieder saustark 6479.300 kHz,
aber nix propagiert auf 12958.600 kHz,
vielleicht aber in Amerika oder Australien ?
(Wolfgang B¸schel, Feb 26, BC-DX 27 Feb via DXLD)

** GREECE. 9420.005, only a single frequency operation of ERT-open Avlis at 0445 UT March 1, Hard rock pop music program, S=9+25dB here in Germany. Now at 0527 UT March 1 heard Greek female folk singer.

Empty channels of 9935, 11645, 15630, or 15650 kHz at present too, 0530 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9420, March 1 at 0629, ERT good signal with a speech, might be political but there is no audience applause, so suspect it is a sermon, this being Sunday morning when ERT used to broadcast wonderful Orthodox singing/chanting. I hope that eventually come back {violating Separation of Church and State, but for our entertainment} under the new regime`s revived ERT. Still such talking at 0638. Lately have been hearing ERT on 9420 only, if at all (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. GOVERNMENT WILL REOPEN PUBLIC TELEVISION CLOSED IN 2013

The Greek government wants to reopen the public television ERT, closed in 2013 by the previous executive, and will introduce in Parliament a draft law to that end. It is envisaged ìthe return to work of the redundantî who so desire.

Government source quoted by AFP said the reopening will not have negative effects on public finances. Nikos Pappas, Minister of State, said the government ìdoes not exclude the fee increaseî to finance the ERT.

The end of the season, in June 2013, ordered by the then conservative Prime Minister Antonis Samaras, justified with the austerity. The head of the government at the time argued with the companyís costs, which considered excessive for a Greece in crisis.

The interruption emissions caused a crisis in the government, with the socialist Pasok party and the left- democratic Dimar ñ which at the time also a member of the coalition led by New Democracy -. to demarcate from the decision

The ERT case had international repercussions and led events supported by Syriza, which now leads the government, and a general strike against a decision by unions and opposition compared to a ìcoupî. For months the facilities were occupied by workers who opposed the closure. The European Broadcasting Union condemned the closure.

The station was temporarily replaced by DT. Later gave way to Nerit, with only 500 employees, less than a fifth of the staff of ERT and a reduced schedule.

In the campaign, Tsipras pledged to reopen the old station. ìThe Government is not limited to return to the old framework [operating]; will address the problems, but without inadmissible initiatives of the previous government, such as to impose a black screen, ìsaid Friday the government source.

Among the criticisms that were made to the public operator before closure were waste and the high number of employees. Many reformed up and a part was fired. Dozens of journalists have been hired by Nerit, who was accused of condescension towards the previous conservative-socialist government.

The return of the ERT was announced on the day that the German Members approved by an overwhelming majority, the extension of the financial assistance program for Greece. Of the 587 who voted, 542 said ìyesî to the prolongation of the agreement for four months; 32 voted against and 13 blank. The vote is not surprising, because all parliamentary

parties were in favor of the extension. Votes against and white came from the policy area of ??Chancellor Angela Merkel.

The finance minister, Wolfgang Sch‰uble, had asked the favorable vote, although he admitted that it would not be an easy position for many Members. ìAsk everyone to not frown because causarÌamos [sic: how did Spanish get in here?] very great harm to our people and our future,î he said, according to AFP.

The Berlin government needed the approval of Parliament to give its approval to the extension of the program in force of 2012 and now ending on 30 June. ìWe Germans must do everything to ensure Europe remains united,î Sch‰uble said in a speech gravely. The agreement ìrepresents no more billions for Greece, does not imply any changes to the existing program,î said too.

The deal between Greece and creditors was released a week ago. In return for the extension of the agreement, Tsipras Government did arrive on Tuesday to Brussels a list of reforms. It is a deliberately vague document, as recognized this Friday the Greek Finance Minister, Yanis Varoufakis.

The Greeks commitments include no deadlines, no quantified targets, because that was the recommendation that you have been made by European counterparts. In an interview with Antenna TV, Varoufakis said it was advised not mention numbers to avoid possible objections of the parliaments of the eurozone countries (source? via Zacharias Liangas, Greece, Feb 27, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

All about TV but hope it also applies to negligible medium, radio (gh)

GREEK STATE MINISTER: ERT BILL MAY BE TABLED IN PARLIAMENT NEXT WEEK
by A. Makris - Feb 27, 2015
http://greece.greekreporter.com/2015/02/27/greek-state-minister-ert-bill-may-be-tabled-in-parliament-next-week/

The maturing IMF bonds will be covered, Greek State Minister Nikos Pappas said on Friday. He said that the government and the partners have the political will to find a solution and noted that the possibility of extending what is being owed to the IMF is not being considered.

The government has pledged, through a Eurogroup decision too, that it would meet its loan obligations, he noted and added that the partners have also committed themselves to that. He said that ìthe fiscal gap will be clarified, not in absentia of the primary surplus and that the country will enter a normalcy period.î

He accused German Finance Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble of taking an extreme and aggressive stance against Greece and spoke of factors that tried to undermine the government. He said that the VAT will not be increased and that the legislation on property will be rather delayed.

He added that the bill on the former state broadcaster ERT will be possibly tabled in Parliament next week. This would provide for a small increase in charges to be imposed through the electricity bills so that the former state broadcaster can reopen, he said and added that as far as hirings are concerned the priority would be given to those who had been laid off from the Greeceís old ERT.

Under the bill:
ñ Those made redundant on the 11th of June 2013 will return if they wish to
ñ ERT will be functioning based on a democracy foundation aimed at improving the quality of the provided information, cultural and entertainment program.
ñ There is no additional financial burden on the state budget and therefore does not become subject of bargaining developments created.
ñ The shameful Public TV ñ NERIT exposed the country internationally and the Greek nation never approved nor trusted them.
ñ Both necessary frameworks for resolving succession and for the control of financial data and activities for the purpose of smooth and streamlined operation simultaneously of ERT are being created.
ñ An essential annual framework of reconstruction during which altogether will resolve management issues, operations, organization staff and broadcast of the program, in order to move into the new era of truly independent and pluralistic public broadcasting.

Already, the Minister of State responsible on MEDIA issues has launched consultation on a daily basis with all stakeholders and individuals in order for ERT to operate immediately.
(via Zacharias Liangas, Greece, Feb 27, DXLD)

[similar mostly duplicative stories with inferior translations:]

GOVERNMENT STARTS ERT - WHAT WILL INCLUDE, WHO WILL BE RECRUITED

The government, consistent with the programmatic statements will submit a bill establishing the ERT SA Thursday 05/03/2015.

This is a draft law, which makes it clear that the Government has drafted a whole issue, not merely to restore the previous framework addresses the ills of the past without '' black drop '' and without unacceptable legal novelties inspired and implemented the previous government. . .

http://www.news.gr/politikh/esoterikh-politikh/article/210085/h-kyvernhsh-xekina-thn-ert-ti-tha-perilamvanei-p.html
http://focusfm.gr/index.php/eidisis/politiki/item/21356-2015-02-27-13-02-00

[Zach`s own attached publicity]:
My radio related e-books
https://www.scribd.com/collections/7127419/Mini-publications
my radio shack: http://goo.gl/MHAHJ1
all my pages: http://delicious.com/gr_greek1/zak

Don't forget to look into my new e-book 25 years Malaysia a survey
http://goo.gl/Pi87gpfor
Any one buying and reviewing it will be added into a special chapter
as reviewers (Zacharias Liangas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREENLAND. 570 MW, Nuuk (on Kook Island off the Greenland capital) started broadcasting on Feb 26 with a Nautel XR6 5 kW transmitter. The antenna is a 60 m. tower with a top load.

650 MW, Queqertarsuaq (on the Disko Island) started broadcasting on Dec 01, 2014, with a Nautel XR6 5 kW transmitter. The antenna is an 80 m. tower.

720 MW, Simiutaq (an island near Narsaq in Southern Greenland) is scheduled to start broadcasting on Jun 01 with a Nautel XR12 10 kW transmitter. The antenna is a 150 m. tower.
Found this link to the old Simuatak weather and radio station:
http://www.warcovers.dk/greenland/simiutak.htm
(Erik K¯ie, Denmark, Mar 2, DSWCI DX Window March 4 via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

** GREENLAND. Members, As promised, the Nuuk mast is now in action again on 570 kHz. This is from Ydun's Mediumwave Info where (originally on the NORDX Yahoo Group) Odd-Jorgen Sagdahl today brought the good news.

On this subject I read somewhere that the mast is 313M tall. This is hard to believe. I have presumed that the mast is indeed at 64 10 58N 51 43 55W. I look forward to any improvements which any member can give me! Subject to any revision I have moved the Nuuk details over to the Active database. 73 and 88 (Dan Goldfarb, mwmasts yg via DXLD)

Members, Possibly the correct site seems to be on Telegrafoen Island?? Somewhere around 64 04 07N 52 00 31W. There are tall masts on the island - some of which surely are military? I hope that experts can help me out here. 73 and 88 (Dan, March 2, mwmasts via DXLD)

Re: GREENLAND: Tasiilaq - Now with Google Streetview (SV)

Ian and others, This is specifically about Nuuk. Both swsites and mwmasts may have a solution thanks to mwlist. I had not known about the Island of Telegrafoen before I saw it on mwlist. Today the 570 kHz mast has reactivated, hence my interest.

The coordinates around 64 04 07N 52 00 40W thanks to a new GE image shows the island to be covered in tall masts and short ones which could have been used for 3999 kHz. I am awaiting comments from my members but (subject to possible confusion caused by military use for some of the masts) this is certainly worth further investigation.
73 (Dan Goldfarb, UK, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

Hi Dan, Yes. Known about for some years, thanks to info from Erik in Denmark if memory serves me correctly (Ian, swsites yg via DXLD)

** GUATEMALA. 4055-, Feb 26 at 0619, R. Verdad carrier is unusually still on, slightly on the lo side after normal (exc UT Mon) sign-off circa 0609*. So I did log them on remnant of Feb 25, which is the 15th anniversary of their first broadcast, one sesquidecade ago.

Dr Madrid is really getting into ``TV`` = web video and provides this announcement:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ql37vaRv4Js
which says their quinceaÒera celebration will axually be on Sat Feb 28 starting at 2300 UT until 0330 UT [March 1]. Then we may hear something special on 4055 and webcast (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

(4055-), March 1 circa 0130-0230, monitored R. Verdad conveniently on webcast in case their fifteenth anniversary celebration could be heard, but only normal programming of preaching while I suppose they were having a party at the station between 2300 and 0330 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUYANA. 3290-, Feb 26 at 0621, VOG is on but very poor, some modulation, presumably usual BBCWS relay.

3290-, Feb 27 at 0654, Voice of Guyana attains poor-fair carrier level, but just barely modulated, presumably with BBCWS (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) meanwhile, one minute later:

3289.973, Feb 27 0655. Voice of Guyana, BBC WS. Fair signal but getting weaker in the mornings due to earlier sunrise here (Arne Nilsson, Gransel, Sweden, SW Bulletin March 1 via DXLD)

3290, GBC Voice of Guyana 0927 ìLeaving on a Jet Planeî ìWhen Will I see You Againî om & yl chat something about ìthe debt owed Öî, 0931

brief ad or announcement ìSuperÖî something. 1005 om and yl chat. No ute on top of signal for once; faded at 1030. Good lock on the R8 synchro 28 February (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, Sony 2010XA, 60 90/120 meter dipoles, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 4869.92, RRI Wamena. Usual soft-spoken M DJ after 1135 playing program of romantic pop ballads with a lot of Indonesian talk between songs. 1159 the first 9 notes of a different rendition of ìRayuan Pulau Kelapaî, fanfare, M briefly, 5+1 long time ticks, another M briefly, another fanfare, and beginning of news with mention of RRI warta berita. Peaking probably around 1145 and fading by 1200 (4 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 9526-, March 1 at 1444, no signal detectable from VOI nor at 1504. Atsunori Ishida`s http://rri.jpn.org log for today so far indicates it`s been intermittent: ``9526 kHz 0945c/on-1200- (No signal at 1255), 0945-1000- ??, 1059 (CC), 1159 (JJ), *1305- (No signal at 1355)`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. Digital Radio Mondialeô (DRM) and Radio Republik Indonesia (RRI) to Trial DRM Digital Radio in Indonesia

The Digital Radio Mondiale (DRM) Consortium and the Indonesian public broadcaster, Radio Republik Indonesia (RRI), are pleased to announce a DRM30 digital radio trial and workshop in Jakarta, Indonesia in the week of 24th of March. Indonesia is mostly coastal lowlands, larger islands and mountainous areas creating a challenging broadcasting landscape; RRI is exploring ways of overcoming these challenges to provide quality broadcasting services that can be received countrywide, with the efficient use of energy.

Mr Sunarya Ruslan, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of RRI Indonesia, says: ìWe are looking at the weaknesses that we experience currently in analogue radio with a desire to offer radio broadcast services that are economical, easy, and mobile, offering the same good quality to Indonesian citizens, whether they are in big or small cities, even in remote areas and whether they are farmers, fishermen, government officials or private citizens. Mr Muhammad Rohanudin, Technology and New Media Director of RRI, adds: "RRI is currently reviewing the appropriate technologies to be used as a delivery medium. These technologies include DRM and we hope that the DRM trial in the Bogor area will provide us with options and a better understanding of digital radio broadcasting.î

Ruxandra Obreja, DRM Consortium Chairman, is delighted to have the

Consortium working so closely with RRI: ìWe believe that DRM will prove to be the full and cost-effective solution for Indonesia allowing it to provide quality broadcasting with extra services, to densely populated urban zones but also to remote areas. The DRM trial and workshop will be run together with Indonesian specialists and will give them the opportunity to experience the quality and advantages of DRM digital radio broadcasting while we will learn more about this important Asian market.î

The DRM30 trial and workshop will be held from 24th - 27th March 2015 in Jakarta and Bogor. They will be supported by RRI and key Consortium members:Fraunhofer IIS, GatesAir, RFmondial and Transradio. During the workshop attendees will be invited to observe the results of the DRM30 trial and to learn more about the full DRM standard (DRM Consortium Press Release) (via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dxs_asia yg via DXLD) WTFK; indeed what band(s) is this about? (gh)

** IRAN. Iran on 7285? Hello DXers, Listening to BBC's Arabic section every morning from 0400 UT on 7285 kHz, today I noticed a background music on the same frequency which turned out to be IRIB; not sure about the language. First time to hear them on that frequency (Tarek Zeidan, Cairo, Egypt, Sent from my iPad, 0446 UT March 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tarek, Yes, not in latest HFCC at that time, but I bet they forgot to change frequency from this one the night before:
7285 1730 2030 39 KAM 500 178 0 146 1234567 261014 280315 D ARA IRN IRB IRB 1750 ARBIC-S
Over here we normally hear neither on 7285 at 04, but Sonder Grense, South Africa (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

9445, Feb 27 at 0218.5 just as I am tuning across a weak station, it cuts off the air in mid-word. It was Voz de la Rep˙blica Isl·mica de Ir·n, depriving Spanish listeners of the last sesquiminute of their broadcast, 500 kW, 304 degrees from Kamalabad to MÈxico and Caribbean.

13820, March 2 at 0627, Qur`an, very poor, then talk mixed with overtime Cuban pulse jamming against MartÌ[non]. HFCC shows the Albanian hour of VIRI via Kamalabad has just opened. Overnight MUF is picking up with spring oncoming.

11675, March 4 at 1350, VIRI in Urdu with hum, undermodulation, by 1406 seems somewhat distorted and suppressed; while // 11730 has good clear audio, barely a reverb apart. HFCC shows both of these are 500 kW Kamalabad transmitters; but sounding very different (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The problems by IRIB Tehran [Kamalabad] intermodulations on 21510 kHz

are solved. The transmitter is repaired, no longer spurious emissions below 21450 kHz. Many thanks to BNetzA Konstanz (FNA Administration Germany) and IRIB Tehran! (Wolf Hadel-D DK2OM, IARU-r1 MS intruder-alert Feb 25 via BC-DX 27 Feb via DXLD)

** IRAN [non]. 9430, Feb 28 at 0217, fair signal with ME-ish song, at first wondering if Greece had jumped up to here from 9420, but it`s only Radio Farda per ID which soon follows; this at 02-05 via Lampertheim, GERMANY, and Greece is still AWOL (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ISRAEL [non]. [9395 [non]], 0530 UT March 4, Israel Radio`s morning news in English delayed one hour from 0430 (local time announced: 6:30), via WRN, via Global 24 webcast as no longer associated with WRMI. All about guess what? Bibi`s speech to a joint session of the US Congress, interfering in the internal affairs of what should be his greatest ally.

0545 WRN ID and on to Vatican Radio (still not RNZI as on the Jan 1 WRN schedule). So never mind my attempts to get Israel Radio recognized as a revived SW broadcaster by this very indirect means. Then the webcast was also removed by WRMI. Global 24 hopes to make a comeback somewhere else. It would be nice if they kept the webcast going meanwhile! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KASHMIR. INDIA, 4950, AIR-Srinagar, Feb 27 1329-1344, 35343, Kashmiri, Talk and song, ID at 1330 and 1341 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. CLANDESTINE, New unidentified clandestine broadcast was started from Feb 27:
1300-1400 11540 secret / hidden site to KRE Korean only on Feb 27 & 28

All other clandestines in Korean at same time are on air including
1230-1330 9330 DB 100 kW / 071 deg KRE Korean Radio Free North Korea
1300-1330 9950 TSH 100 kW / 002 deg KRE Korean Nippon no Kaze
1300-1400 11860 PUG 125 kW / 010 deg KRE Korean Voice of Wilderness
1300-1500 7515 TAC 100 kW / 070 deg KRE Korean Radio Free Chosun

February 27:
New unidentified clandestine broadcast in Korean to NoKorea 1319 on 11540 UNID tx
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ER5w4m9GL1A&feature=youtu.be

New unidentified clandestine broadcast in Korean to NoKorea 1336 on 11540 UNID tx
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BloJ1KHf04U&feature=youtu.be

New unidentified clandestine broadcast in Korean to NoKorea 1357 on
11540 UNID tx
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VKPNW1vVmxA&feature=youtu.be

New unidentified clandestine broadcast in Korean to NoKorea 1358 on
11540 UNID tx
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lY_77tOaGNE&feature=youtu.be

February 28
New unidentified clandestine broadcast in Korean to NoKorea 1300 on
11540 UNID tx
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qhjyLYwe8AY&feature=youtu.be

New unidentified clandestine broadcast in Korean to NoKorea 1357 on
11540 UNID tx
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2aRyYoc0wvU&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. The Korean clandestines were good and
unjammed after 1200 but unfortunately there was a nasty ute on 6135,
so couldnít get anything on V. of Freedom (4 March) 73 (Dave Valko,
Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular
Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words,
for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH [non]. 9395, Fri Feb 27 at 1430, Global 24 via WRMI,
with WRN ID and into KBS World Radio. This is contrary to G24 sked at
http://www.tinyurl.com/G24sked
which shows `Jazz from the Left` Fridays at 14-16 UT.

When is KBSWR supposed to be on? It shows:
Sunday thru Friday 0900-1000
Monday 2000 (followed by Israel Radio and Vatican Radio until 2100)
Saturday 2100-2200.

KBS no doubt occupies various otherwise unspecified WRN blox, but when
I heard it is not even one of those. Anyhow, if you happen to catch it
on 9395, this is a great improvement over KBS direct to ``North
America`` on 15575 at 1300-1400 which is subject to degraded or no
propagation at least until spring/summer (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX
LISTENING DIGEST) Not any more: Global 24 is gone

** KUWAIT. Wrong frequencies of Radio Kuwait on Feb 23:
1600-1620 9750 KBD 250 kW / 286 deg NEAf Arabic GS, scheduled -1600
1600-1620 21540 KBD 250 kW / 310 deg WeEu Arabic GS, scheduled -1600
instead of
from 1600 6050 KBD 250 kW / non-dir N/ME Arabic GS, scheduled 16-21

from 1600 15540 KBD 250 kW / 100 deg SoAs Urdu, scheduled till 1800
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/wrong-frequencies-of-radio-kuwait-on.html

One of the transmitters of Radio Kuwait temporarily was off air from around 1400 UT on Feb 24 and continues until March 1:
0500-0900 on 15515 KBD 250 kW / 059 deg to EaAs Arabic General Service
1000-1200 on 21580 KBD 250 kW / 084 deg to SEAs Filipino
1205-1555 on 21540 KBD 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Arabic General Service
1600-1800 on 15540 KBD 250 kW / 100 deg to SoAs Urdu
1800-2100 on 15540 KBD 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu English
(DX RE MIX NEWS #898 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, March 2, 2015 via DXLD)

[non] 21540, Feb 26 at 1358, R. Kuwait still AWOL for at least the third day, while 21505 Saudi is audible; also no 21540 later in the 14 UT hour.

21540, Feb 27 at 1412, R. Kuwait still AWOL, while 21505 Riyadh continues to propagate.

21540, Feb 28 at 1418, R. Kuwait is still missing, and 21505 Sa`udi is still there to prove propagation is not the cause. Ivo Ivanov reported Feb 25 that since Feb 24, one of the transmitters was temporarily off, which silences all of the following: 05-09 15515 Arabic, 10-12 21580 Filipino, 1205-1555 21540 Arabic, 16-18 15540 Urdu, 18-21 15540 English.

21540, March 4 at 1402, R. Kuwait is still AWOL from Arabic, while 21505 Sa`udi is not. According to Ivo, it`s the same transmitter used on 15540 for 1800-2100 English, which is therefore also off the air, for how much longer? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LIBERIA [and non]. 6050, ELWA - Monrovia (presumed), 2332-2400*. Two stations heard on 6050, both weak with fading. One had religious talk by a man in a Spanish sounding (more likely indigenous) language (presumed to be HCJB). The other had instrumental hymn music, which changed to vocals in English at 2345 (presumed to be ELWA). ELWA was initially slightly stronger, but faded below HCJB by 2350, and was no longer readable under much stronger talk by 2355. Carrier terminated at 2400. Classify this log as very tentative. 2/24/2015 (Jim Evans, Germantown, TN, Perseus, IC-R75, ICF-SW7600G, PL-880, PL-660, PL-380, Random Wire, Wellbrook Loops (2), NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

Christians clashing with Christians (gh, DXLD)

6050, ELWA Radio, Monrovia, 0634-0655, 01-03, English, religious

comments, "The Gospel, The Lord Jesus Christ". 14321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Tecsun PL-880, cable antenna 8 meters and Degen 31MS, active Loop antenna, Logs in Friol, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MACEDONIA. 2430 Harmonic, Macedonian Radio. 20/2 at 1840 news in French (3 x MW 810). BTW their English news were closed in August 2014 and after Macedonia was included in the Francophone Community (led by France and members are mainly some African countries) in mid-December 2014. M Radio started with news in French, MonñFri 1835ñ1845 (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF 2001D, folded Marconi antenna 16m, March Australian DX News via DXLD)

** MADAGASCAR. 5010.96, R. Madagasikara, Ambohidrano. A wobbly old carrier at 1957 with a music show and Malagasy announcements. Switch to SSB and get the heterodyne going to listen to the carrier dance around the frequency. Fair to poor signal strength on 23/2 (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic, Yaesu FT DX 3000, Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu FRG100, Double Bazooka antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD)

** MADAGASCAR. KNLS GETS A SISTER STATION IN 2015

For those of you who may have missed the December announcement, here it is again. KNLS will soon have a sister station. The document was issued by the government of Madagascar. Written in French, it gives World Christian Broadcasting permission to put new station, Madagascar World Voice (MWV), on the air. The new station's towers are already built. The new transmitters are on the way, and hope to have MWV on the air by the middle of 2015.

Madagascar is an island nation in the southern Indian Ocean, located about 300 kilometers across the Mozambique Channel from the east coast of southern Africa.

Millions who were previously unable to hear Alaska station KNLS, or who heard it faintly, will now have a chance to pick up a clear signal. For example, we get mail from KNLS listeners from India, which is half a world away from Alaska. Madagascar World Voice will send a clearer signal to India, so we expect the volume of mail from the planet's second-most populated country to increase. Some listeners in India have digital receivers, and MWV will have the ability to transmit a digital signal.

Madagascar World Voice will double the area of the world that can hear music to love, news to know, and a message to live.

World Christian Broadcasting's freshly minted 100 KW transmitters were

loaded on a cargo ship in the Port of Houston on January 12, 2015. A few days later the ship sailed, bound for the Indian Ocean. Arrival date is expected to be somewhere around March 25. The ships will cross many, many miles of open Atlantic Ocean before they sail under the tip of Africa to head north to their destination. The two transmitters were built at a cost of $1,000,000 each, so we are praying for smooth sailing and a safe arrival!

Once the transmitters are unloaded at our station, much work is left to be done. They must be installed in the transmitter building that has been awaiting their arrival. They must be connected to the diesel generators that will power them. Technicians from Continental Electronics in Dallas must go to fine-tune their installation. Once all that has been done, we can begin the testing process ó which in itself will take more than a month. Once everything is in order, we can begin broadcasting in late 2015 or early 2016.

Initially we will broadcast in six languages: Arabic (covering the entire Mid-East), Spanish (for South and Central America, plus the Spanish-speaking countries of Africa), English with an African sound (for the continent of Africa), Chinese (for western China), Russian (for the populous regions of western Russia, including St. Petersburg and Moscow), and International English (for India and nearby countries where English is a second language).

Between the new station in the Indian Ocean and our other station in Alaska, our programming will cover almost the entire world (except for North America) (Source: World Christian Broadcasting via Alokesh Gupta blog Feb 2 via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

** MADEIRA. 1530, Posto Emissor do Funchal, 0545-0650, 01-03, Portuguese, comments, Portuguese folk music, identification song "Posto Emissor do Funchal, a sua companhia dÌa a dÌa" 23322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Tecsun PL-880, cable antenna 8 meters and Degen 31MS, active Loop antenna, Logs in Friol, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 780, XESFT La Poderosa, San Fernando, Tamps. JAN 3 0340 - Latin vocals mixing with R. Coro. At 0402 time check, '...y dos minutos' only partly audible, then a punctuated spot with "°La Poderosa! HSFT La Poderosa... transmite desde... frecuencia modulada" in context and that was followed by the Mexican national anthem.

Despite thumping sounds, echo effects and interference, after replaying my recording numerous times, I was able ascertain there was absolutely no mention of 'X' nor of 'E' in the call letters announcement. I heard the FM call! Fred Cant˙'s Mexican list shows their call letters on FM 103.7 as XHSFT, so AM on 780 kHz is perhaps

just a simulcast of FM.

JAN 4 0403 - Much weaker under talk with a shouted/echo spot containing multiple 'La Poderosa' mentions, and as before, was followed by the Mexican national anthem. There are two La Poderosa listed on 780 kHz in Fred Cant˙'s list and one in the 2014 WRTH.

In my last report, I listed XEXY 'La Poderasa-La Voz de Balzas' in Altamirano as presumed heard on NOV 18 [at] 0154. Comparing that date's recording to the more recent ones, and also listening XEXY's live feed, I am correcting my earlier report. The punctuated 'La Poderosa' spots that I recorded from XESFT are not heard on XEXY, which has a good live feed ('en vivo'), so I've listened to XEXY on the web (but not much luck with connecting to XESFT web site, however). On XEXY I've heard several ID spots as a 'La Voz de Balzas' with the call XEXY and 'La Poderosa' in context, but not the same animated and punctuated 'La Poderosa' announcements that I hear on XESFT (Werner Funkenhauser, Sebring FL; WiNRADiO Excalibur, Wellbrook ALA 1530 S, Parr end-fed longwire and Quantum Phaser, NRC IDXD Feb 27 via DXLD)

** MEXICO. XEW 900 sure couldn't be running 250 kW anymore, but here it is from S Florida. Nulling the Progreso from Cuba at night is rough. I'd say XEW here may be putting out 50 kW if ND. Keep in mind that unless they moved to FM, there was a 900 in Veracruz as well.

Using the stereo mic from the Panasonic gives this a pseudo stereo effect, eh?

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File Type: mp3 060A_150220_0229.MP3 (243.5 KB, 8 views) (Chris Dunne, Pembroke Pines FL, 01:44 AM [EST?] March 1, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

The 900 in Veracruz has to be gone. Huesby (the antenna guy who founded the Mexican DX forum I follow) lives there, and he says he gets XEW all day now.

Oh yeah, and now as XHWB-FM 98.9, it's Los 40 Principales, so it's also had a format change in addition to its AM callsign being lost (was XEWB). (Raymie Humbert, AZ, I speak Spanish so you don't have to, ibid.)

Yah, I caught Los 40 (900 Veracruz) about 8 months ago. Hey, XEW oughta be free to, um, "expand" now cd (Dunne, ibid.)

** MEXICO. 960, March 2 at 0601, XEK Nuevo Laredo with ID and choral NA, atop the QRM during the Fox-hole of no modulation from local KGWA, once it is carefully nulled. From March 9 due to the imposition of

daylight shifting, the KGWA Fox-hole will move to 0500-0505 UT, but not every night. Being from a border city subject to American economic pressure, XEK should also move to CDT early, retaining the NA at local midnite (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. That Mexican on 1510 --- I guess it was in another thread I mentioned this. I suppose I had on 1510 here XEQI Monterrey at 1 am one night, midnight Monterrey time which means their anthem. If you just listen to the last half of it (I think I tuned around), you'll hear a female voice with a sloppy ID, then the anthem. mexicoradiotv.com has 1510's in MEX as daytimers. XEQI?? cd
Attached Files File Type: mp3 049A_150116_0222.MP3 (2.08 MB, 6 views)
(Chris Dunne, Pembroke Pinews FL, March 1, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Daytimer in theory, but 6 am-midnight in practice. I found this on RTVNL's Facebook (it's state-owned):

"Viernes - 20:30 horas, por 1510AM La Radio Alternativa.
 S·bado - 21:30 horas, por 1510AM La Radio Alternativa."

That's a promotion for 1510 programs that definitely are non-daytime. Given your other choice is in Hidalgo, I'm going to guess it's XEQI and that they run 6am-midnight like most Mexican state networks and noncommercial stations (Raymie Humbert, AZ< iibd.)

OK then, I think so as well, Raymie. I did not listen beyond the anthem as maybe I shoulda. I did like their musical selections; a throwback to the beautiful-music stations of FM in the 60s/70s. cd (Dunne, ibid.)

Interesting. That's another channel I'll be checking more carefully for anthems (Saul Chernos, Burnt River ON, ibid.)

I re-listened yesterday and I also heard "La Radio Alternativa", which is 1510's on-air brand, so this is definitely them (Raymie, March 3, ibid.)

So many Mexican radio stations (as opposed to TV stations) love to give lush ID's, like calls, power, and even studio location. XEQI not so much I guess! But yes I heard that ID too, so thank you. I think even the legendary XEW 900 lacks a mega-ID. cd (Chris Dunne, ibid.)

** MEXICO. More new Aztecas! This time some small market fun with Tecom·n, Colima, getting its first digital television stations: XHTCA-TDT 22 (2.x, A13) and XHTCO-TDT 50 (11.x, A7).

Meanwhile, Mexicali may not be the only market going soon, as we find out in a Notimex piece reiterating that there won't be election-time

shutoffs. To quote Gabriel Contreras, IFT president, "We're still working with the SCT, we've followed up on these penetration levels [for TDT in various areas] and we'll also probably order shutoffs elsewhere". I speak Spanish so you don't have to. Read my Mexico Beat blog | Next analog shutoff: Mexicali, March 26 (Raymie Humbert, AZ, Raymie`s Mexico Beat, Feb 26, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Referring to my earlier post. If not a regular for me, XHBC was a common catch for me in Northwest Arkansas (Kegan, Feb 27, ibid.)

Well, considering March is historically my worst Es month (have yet to see my first ID'd Es catch), it's highly doubtful I will see this one again. Despite its distance (1366 miles), I've probably averaged 3-4 sightings a year-rarely a strong signal however. Not sure what will be left in BC after XHBC goes (Mike, South Louisiana, Feb 27, TVDXing since 7/27/09, ibid.)

There must have been some good tropo as someone in Reynosa, hearing lots of Veracruz FMs, turned their antenna south and reeled in XHAI-TDT 41 (9.1), XHCLV-TDT 45 (22.1), XHAJ-5 and XHAH-TDT 39 (7.1). Here's his video of XHAI-TDT.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ts00Rr9PODY&feature=youtu.be
(Raymie, Feb 27, ibid.)

This is interesting. We got the IFT meeting minutes for the Mexicali shutoff today, and apparently a shutoff of a parent station affects all of its shadows at the same time, as the meeting notes highlight that they visited the Azteca shadows at SLRC. This helps kinda explain why stations are shut off by callsign too and offers some hope for Monterrey to stay on the air longer as XEFB, XHX and XHAW cannot say they are digital in Saltillo yet (and XHAW must build on another channel other than 25).

The shadows at SLRC are:
XHAQ-5 (.100 kW) and XHEXT-20 (50 kW FCC)
XHAQ-TDT 28 and XHEXT-TDT 25 (both .83 kW FCC)

The FCC database is much better for Mexican digital stations than it is for analog ones (the XHAQ shadow is outright missing; its information comes from the IFE-INE CartografÌa page).

It's worth a reminder that SLRC has two analog television stations that are not yet changing over. One is Televisa's XHLRT-44 (CE) and the other is the Telemax network on XHRCS-50. The digital allocations remaining there are 22 and 30.

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Today Azteca brought online its third and final digital plant in Colima, Manzanillo with XHDR-TDT 21 (2.x) and XHNCI-TDT 39 (4.x).

These are two of the three stations licensed to Manzanillo as Televisa has one station plus two shadows. Last edited by Raymie; 02-27-2015 at 09:59 PM (Raymie, ibid.)

I do hope many Mexican stations wait until the end of this year's Es season to shut down their lowband transmitters. I was excited in 2009 when the opening of the lowband locally allowed me to get Mexican (and other Latin American) TV stations FAR more often, but it was not long before I kept getting the same stations again, instead of "new" ones, meaning I have still seen less than a dozen Mexican TV stations. I'd really like to add to my log. In particular, I've really wanted to DX the DF. Engineer, Fingerboard Corners & Warmley R.R. (Robert Grant, MI? ibid.)

Well, many stations will be on air just because they have to be and the markets are either late in the TV distribution campaign or there is a digital laggard.

And DXing the DF --- Well, that gets interesting. You see, 2, 4 and 5 transmit from a site that's about a few hundred feet into the State of Mexico (Pico Tres Padres). They're joined up there by channel 34, which is the Edomex** state network, and in the municipality of Coacalco there's also a shadow Azteca on 54 (XHDF).

But every other TV station in Mexico City* comes from Cerro del Chiquihuite, which IS in the DF: 7, 11, 13, 21, 22, 28, 30, 40, 45, plus a bunch of FMs. (*Exception: 20, which is on a university campus, is very low power, and is duplicated by a subchannel of 30.) (Raymie, Feb 28, ibid.)

Thanks for the info. I guess the DF was not possible, anyway. But maybe I can log Edomex for the first time (Robert Grant, Feb 28, ibid.)

It's a hard business anyway because the low-band (and, for that matter, high-band) in central Mexico is so absolutely tight.

Mexico City got 2-4-5, so pretty much everything around it got 3-6: Pachuca Hgo. (state net and Azteca 7), Puebla (XHP and Azteca 13), Cuernavaca (state net, now digital-only 49, and Canal Once), and Toluca (which just got 6, Azteca 13). Puebla's 60 miles away, and the others are all under 50. All of those cities, plus Tula (8-[XHLUC]20-[XHXEM]38) at 45 miles from Mexico City. Tlaxcala, at 50 miles or so, is nothing but low-power stations but it has 2-4-5-7-9-11-13 (the 5 is their state network, in which all the transmitters have ERPs of 500 watts or less).

For an example of how tight the high band was, Mexico City originally

had 8-11-13. When they changed this to 7-9-11-13 to sign on XHIMT, 8 had to move to 9, Puebla/Altzomoni's 7 and 9 had to become 8 and 10, and Toluca's 7 had to move to 12 (Raymie, AZ, ibid.)

Back to Mexico, another new station in the state of Sonora: XHHN-TDT 21 (9.x), Azteca 7.

Note that while I do put the intended virtual channel numbers, many of the provisional Azteca installations use physical channels, and then Azteca 7 is on the .2 subchannel. For instance 39.2 and 21.1 are the virtual channels in Manzanillo.

Guaymas is missing two stations: its Telemax repeater (which is to be expected) and shadow XHI-34. When the latter signed on I believe it was built for eventual digital conversion. I would not be surprised if they end up running digital on 34 instead of 32 (as would be expected for an XHI shadow) and/or with a virtual channel 34 (as shadow channels can carry differing PSIP for continuity reasons; XHI Guaymas does have an oval-34 logo!). (Raymie, March 1, ibid.)

ZAP! We have word that XHZAP-TDT 20 Zacatl·n, Puebla, is on the air. CE net.

Also a happy birthday to Canal Once, which turns 56 today!
http://oncenoticias.tv/index.php?modulo=interior&nota=91&dt=2015-03-01
Last edited by Raymie; 03-02-2015 at 10:27 PM. (Raymie, ibid.)

It look like shutoff fever is hitting Tecate, but in that Baja California town they say that high poverty levels are preventing people from being ready.

Video report from Televisa Tijuana.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hFsynHy7DXg

Tecate has one station licensed to it, XHDTV (MundoFox, was MyTV), as well as Azteca shadows. XHDTV is listed as still being available in analog and would be the last general station in the San Diego-Tijuana media market broadcasting as such. No date was set for Tecate's shutoff (Raymie, AZ, March 3, ibid.)

Cd. Victoria, Tamps., came into 2015 with one digital station, Multimedios (which was very much an early bird in digitalization). It now has a full complement, as Azteca brought XHCVT-TDT 24 (3.x) and XHCDT-TDT 29 (9.x) into service today (Raymie Humbert, AZ, March 4, Raymie`s Mexico Beat, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

** MONGOLIA. RADIO BROADCASTING IN MONGOLIA

The history of broadcasting in Mongolia begins with the first radio programme on 1st September 1934.

The Mongolian Radio and Television (MRTV) technical centre was established at Khonkor, Ulan Bator city in 1960, with shortwave transmitters of 5, 25 and 50 KW and a long wave transmitter of 150 KW. The MRTV expanded its transmitter facility by installing two shortwave transmitters of 100 and 250 KW.

A further expansion took place in 1984 with a 500 KW medium wave and long wave station, which enabled the first channel of MRTV to be broadcast in the central area of the country. Most of the local radio stations of large capacity were built through USSR technical and economical grant aid. During 2003, Sumitomo Corporation of Japan upgraded the domestic shortwave transmitters of MRTV with SW NEC transmitting systems using the grant-in-aid from Japanese government.

The domestic shortwave broadcast stations of Mongolian Radio are:
ß Central Radio Broadcast Station 7260 kHz (50 KW)
ß Gobi-Altay Station 4830 kHz (10 KW)
ß Khuvsgul Station 4895 kHz (10 KW)
ß Dornogbi Station 4865 kHz (10 KW)

The domestic longwave broadcast stations of Mongolian Radio are:
164, Ulaanbaatar 500 kW
209, Choibalsan 75 kW
     Dalanzadgad 75 kW
     Ulgii 30 kW
227, Altai 75 kW

Below is a picture from their website and I also found a nice pennant on one website. You can also see two very nice QSL cards used in the 1980-ies (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin March 1 via DXLD)

Reception of Radio Ulan Bator here in ƒngelholm.

It might not be the correct forum to show logs from longwave but it was very thrilling to be able to receive the transmissions there. Some days ago I got a mail from Christoph Ratzer alerting me that carriers of R Ulan Bator on 209 kHz were received down in Salzburg. To log Mongolia on longwave has now been possible as several of the very strong powerhouses have left the band. The first days only the carriers were visible but on Feb 15 at 2201 UT, Christoph managed to hear their interval signal at sign on.

First on Feb 20 it was possible to hear the interval signal also here at my location but very, very weak. Here follows some screenshots showing the carriers.

2015-02-20 2157 2015-02-21-2225

On Feb 21 it was possible to receive decent audio at 2225-2235. Very exciting.

On Feb 22 only two carriers were visible during sign on with almost no audio. 2015-02-22-2156

Radio Ulan Bator also transmits on two other LW frequencies, 164 and 227 kHz. On Feb 22 it was possible to receive those carriers, see screenshots below. 2015-02-22-2156

Here are two screenshots from 227 kHz. The first shows drift downwards from sign on at about 2155. At 2232 UT the signal is stabilized a few Hz lower. As you can see there is heavy slop.
2015-02-22-2156
2015-02-22-2232

I haven't tried if it is possible to receive the stations at sign off in the afternoon, but it seems possible as you can see from the screenshot below from J¸rgen Bartels living near the North Sea coast in S¸llwarden, Germany.

Also a screenshot and comments from Mauno Ritola in Joensuu, Finland at sign on at his location (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin March 1 via DXLD)

Additional comments re Mongolia on Long Wave:

J¸rgen Bartels: I got curious about this and monitored s/off today on my 400m 260 beverage
http://dx.3sdesign.de/unid/Spectr-150227-1603-MNG-209kHz-signoff.jpg

Unfortunately I forgot to select a higher FFT size for better resolution. On Mauno's Rx I heard the audio, and they ran different program on 164, 209 & 227.

The transmitter of 209 may have carried different program also, but I am not 100% sure. A YL continued talking while the N/A was already playing, it could have been mixed at the studio too® (Jurgen Bartels Suellwarden, N. Germany via mwoffsets via SW Bulletin March 1 via DXLD)

Mauno Ritola: Yesterday, Feb 23, at s/on there definitely was only two transmitters and the third one didn't come on before 2300; that happens quite often. But today at s/off I could again detect 3 carriers: (Mauno Ritola via mwoffsets, ibid.)

for illustrations, you must see SWB #1818 at
http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/1818.pdf

And also this detailed article on MONGOLIA longwave:
http://www.hard-core-dx.com/swb/Mongol_1.pdf
(SW Bulletin March 1 via DXLD)

** MONGOLIA [and non]. 12015, V of Mongolia, Ulan Bator. Equal level with V of Korea co/channel 1419, Mongolian service. Both stations unlistenable as a result, 28/2 (Craig Seager, Bathurst NSW, Perseus SDR, Icom IC-746, Murphy B40, March Australian DX News via DXLD)

They have been colliding like this for years. When will they ever catch on? (gh, DXLD) See also AUSTRALIA [and non]

12084.85, V of Mongolia, Ulaanbattar. Mongolian songs at 0950, then at 1000 there was one cycle through the interval signal and into the start of the Mandarin service. Severe QRM RA-Shepparton on 12085 but separable by listening in LSB and altering filter shapes. Monitored right through to 1030 when programming changed to Japanese, 11/2 (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic, Yaesu FT DX 3000, Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu FRG100, Double Bazooka antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD) See also AUSTRALIA [and non]

12084.92, Feb 23 0900. Voice of Mongolia med nyheter pÂ engelska. 2 [overall quality out of 5] (Christer Brunstrˆm, Halmstad, Sweden, SW Bulletin March 1 via DXLD)

** MOROCCO. 9575, R. Medi Un, Feb 22 0740-0752, 45444, French, Talk and music, ID at 0741 and 0745 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MYANMAR. 5985, Myanma Radio, Yangon. It's interesting to hear a much more relaxed programming style coming out of Myanmar than, say ten years ago. Relaxed announcers and western style pop music (but sung in Burmese, of course). e.g. at 1235 there was a singer sounding very much like Mariah Carey, but with a middle section that had a male rap-style vocal as well. Pleasant listening from 1230 to 1300 with a signal that was not overly strong but clearly heard. Occasional mentions of Myanmar, 12/2. Again on 17/2 when f/in was noted at 1120 (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic, Yaesu FT DX 3000, Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu FRG100, Double Bazooka antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD)

No sign of 9730 Myanmar at 1020. Extremely weak signal at 1105 check but donít know if it`s Myanmar. Still no audio detected and went off at 1130:43, so obviously Myanmar. (27 Feb) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NAVASSA. K1N ---> An interesting interview with Glenn Johnson, W0GJ on the recent DXpedition to Navassa Island can be found on the Mediterraneo DX Club's website:
http://www.mdxc.org/k1n-interview-for-mdxc-by-w0gj/

It gives good food for thought, and it's definitely worth reading (425 DX News 28 Feb via Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ, ODXA yg via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. 9395, Sat Feb 28 at 1326, Global 24 via WRMI during `Happy Station`, Keith Perron discussing the deletion of Radio Nederland Wereldomroep`s online archives as ``audio genocide``. His comments strongly resemble those in a DXLD yg post this week. More about this currently atop the homepage of http://pcjmedia.com ending with an address he also spelt on the air for those who would like to object: save.the.archive.of.rnw@gmail.com --- don`t forget all the dots, or ``periods`` as Keith calls them (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND. 11725-AM, Sat Feb 28 at 0649, just as I am tuning in to enjoy a bit of RNZN`s Saturday-night request show, usual good signal playing some music from the 1930s, dumps off the air at 0650* and never comes back by final check 0721. 11725 is supposed to stay on until 0759 switch to AM 9765, but this cutoff is suspicious, as 0651 is the scheduled time for DRM to start on 11690, but M-F only. Another mixup in computer automation programming? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. 15120, V. of Nigeria, Feb 22 0705-0713, 35433, French, Talk, Theme music at 0706 and 0707 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 15120-, March 1 at 0635, big open carrier with lite whine; off-frequency to the lo side, typical of V. of Nigeria which is supposed to have an English broadcast at +05-07, but not even a carrier heard in months, let alone modulation. Thorsten Hallmann and Alan Roe, who keep closer track of VON, say they have usually been playing filler programming, and often in the wrong language at the wrong time. Propagational coˆperation may be a fluke, but bears further checking into spring; 15580 Botswana also audible, weaker, but has the advantage of modulating with VOA music (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX

LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, March 2 at 0630, good carrier, just barely modulated music, so VON has improved over 24 hours earlier when no modulation at all could be detected, but still useless (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA [non]. February 24:
Dandal Kura in Kanuri to WeAf 1800 on 12065 Ascension
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GObcsigwoQE&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. I logged Pirate Radio Wolverine Radio at 0130 GMT on 6940 USB. They were playing 70s top 40 music. S8 very good signal with very brief ID at times. Radio was Country Comm GP-5/SSB (Mike Stone, Arlington Hts IL, UT March 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. A TCS show just started up on 6876 kHz AM. 2350 UT
(John Poet, The Crystal Ship /TCS Shortwave Relay Network
http://www.tcsshortwave.com
via gh, 0038 UT March 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6876-AM, March 3 at 0105, fair signal with song calling upon a mother, more seguÈs, 0109 ``You are listening to The Crystal Ship on the Crystal Ship relay network``; synth YL with QSL address, tcsshortwave@gmail.com and back to music. 0112 unreadable exclamations and off. This broadcast heard as tipped more than an hour earlier at 2350 by John Poet`s mailing list. Several more logs here:
http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,20883.0.html
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1640, Feb 27 at 0146 UT, and several other times lately, as I am rotating the DX-398 on my easel checking for DX in stronger station nulls, I keep finding KZLS nulling and thus peaking in a wrong direxion. It`s supposed to be about the same as OKC stations to the SSE altho less than half as far, east of Hennessey, but I keep getting a null considerably clockwise from there, i.e. further west if it`s still to the south of here.

I recheck several OKC and other ground- and skywave stations and they appear to null at the proper spots. Maybe something around here is skewing my readings, but only in the X-band? Or KZLS has secretly moved transmitter site, or maybe has a backup site? Unlikely; no such info at radio-locator.com or FCC AM Query. Will have to check further, DF from other locations (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. Format and slogan changes, full power stations:
OK Red Oak 93.1 KWLB Signs on with Variety: Mountaineer Radio
(March VHF-UHF Digest via DXLD)

Red Oak? Amazing how we keep seeing listings of radio stations in little towns we have never heard of, after sesquidecades of residence in OK. Rand McNally shows Red Oak is halfway between Wilburton and Poteau in the southeast, 2000y pop 572; removed from a later atlas index which should have had the 2010 figures (gh, Enid)

** OMAN. 15140, RSO, 1502-1540+ 19 Feb. RSO doing well in English today (they're sked 14-15 English, then Arabic 15-22) with weather warnings, call to prayers (al-Isha), 90.4 jingles, W DJ playing modern dance/pop (Toro y Moi, Toni Braxton, Sophie). Back to Arabic at 1505-1518 check on 20 Feb (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA, G5/PL606 + 6m X wire via Bob Wilkner, DXLD)

15140 kHz coming in clear with rebroadcast of 90.4 FM, live coverage from international book fair at Oman International Exhibition Centre, British announcer says center is across from Muscat International Airport, Interviews with fair-goers and authors. 1434 UT - English passes usual 1500 s/off for Arabic. Realistic DX-440, Telescopic antenna, 73s (Marty DelfÌn, Spain, March 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3260, R. Madang, Madang. Fair in Pidgin at 1157 on 5/2 (Adams).

3275, NBC Southern Highlands, Mendi. English pops and Pidgin announcements, fair on 5/2, 1154 (John Adams, Beech Forest, Vic, JRC NRD-535, EWE antenna, March Australian DX News via DXLD)

Good to know these are/were active, not reported lately from NAm (gh)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3364.98, UNID. NBC Milne Bay back on?? Noted as early as 1033. Covered by nasty pulse wideband signal at 1145 but still there. And just as the pulsing signal was disappearing at 1151, local QRN started. So never did get anything to go on (2 March)

3364.98, NBC Milne Bay (presumed). 1111 definite talk by M announcer. And again at 1133 check. Music at 1141. W announcer at 1148. Very low audio level. Faded by 1201 (4 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3385, NBC East New Britain, 1153 usual YL DJ, then ìShine a Little Heavenî by Kenny Rogers, YL back with song announcement and more, then another C&W song. At the end of the song, went right into a music promo, then usual NBC signature and news by M to 1208, promo, then W with regional news. ID during news at 1216:35. 1221 end of news, then ad. Still barely getting audio with music at

1250 just before the signal went off at 1251:56. Pulsing ute QRM (26 Feb) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4747.57, R. Huanta Dos Mil. Audio finally up at 1026:24 with OA band NA. Then at 1028:55 simple quick ID by M. 1029-1046+ long talk by W over instrumental music with mention of internacional, corazÛn, Huanta, amanacer, oyentes, la patria, etc. Took a brief break at 1040 for ad with many many mentions of Huanta, then continuous talk. Ads at 1052 check (27 Feb)

4747.57, R. Huanta Dos Mil. OC at 1007 start. Band NA start at 1014:58. Canned shouted announcement by M at 1016 and OA campo music. Fantastic with canned IDs at 1021:30, 1023:15 and 1024:05, and live ID at 1024:20, canned ID again at 1024:55. 1027:30 beautiful live ID. Into long talk program by M with mic placed across the room from 1028-1058. Mentioon of amigos oyentes and ìÖestudios de Huantaî near beginning (2 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4774.9, R. Tarma. Nice canned ID/promo at 1032:35. Pretty good signal this morning and the CODAR wasnít too bad (27 Feb)

4774.9, R. Tarma. Tremendous signal at 1007 tune-in with beautiful OA campo music. 1012 one ad and one ID/promo, and back to music. 1015 another ID/promo w ìla hora exactaî by M. 1019 ad block ending with ID/promo sounding like ìR. Tarma la voz las puerto mundialî [sic]. 1030 usual canned ID and ìM˙sica FolklÛrica Nacionalî program ID, then the usual ID/promo bracketed by jingles (2 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4824.47, LV de la Selva (presumed). Quite readable canned announcement by W 1057. But that was about it. Could hear a M and some music before 1100 ToH, but just audio still not strong enough (27 Feb) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4955, R. Cultural Amauta. Popped on late at 1043:25 with lively LA Pop music. Odd music for a religious station. Program hosted by W in Quechua. 1045 canned announcement by two men with mention of ìÖmusica ?? HuantaÖî (2 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

** PERU. 4985.5, Per˙, Radio Voz Cristiana, Huancayo, 1120 to 1125 music and om in Spanish with no rtty interference 28 February (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, Sony 2010XA, 60 90/120 meter dipoles, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4985.5, R. Voz Cristiana. 1101 already on with usual long series of canned announcements. Noted one with girl shouting ìVoz Cristianaî at the end that I never noted before. 1105 another promo/ID. 1107 phone # in Lima given in ad, followed by another with mention of ìVoz Cristianaî. Finally into campo-like music at 1108 with very rapid hard pounding drum beat. Heard them play this song before. Fading very quickly after 1106. The window is closing quickly on this one (4 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 5024.93, R. Quillabamba. Found at 1034 with Rebelde off. Had the usual 15 minute religious talk 1030-1045 by the same Padre as in the past. Definitely IDable. But of course Rebelde popped back on at 1036. (26 Feb) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU [and non]. 5980, Feb 28 at 0103, JBA carriers beating slightly against each other, I monitor intently so that I can tell when one of them goes off: 0103:40.5*, leaving an even weaker single signal, i.e. BBCWS via UAE. So the offing one was R. Chaski. Last time checked was Feb 21 when the cutoff was 0102:59.5*, i.e. 41 seconds earlier and 7 days earlier, averaging 5.86 seconds earlier per, just right according to my repeated monitoring over the past biyear, the rate of slippage by their autocutoff timer before it`s eventually reset earlier.

5980, March 3 at 0103, JBA carrier, so I stand by for a cutoff between 0103:55 and 0104:00 as to be expected from last check 3 days earlier --- but no change and continues past 0104, so this is BBCWS via UAE, and no sign of R. Chaski. Monitoring difficultized this time by much stronger Cuban pulse jamming against nothing; tnx a lot, Arnie! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES [and non]. 9400, Feb 26 at 1349, Chinese from FEBC is back on-frequency, making only a fast SAH with Voice of Kurdistan, instead of a horrible het 300-500 Hz above it for the last week. This may well result from Wolfgang B¸schel notifying BRB`s Ludo Maes, broker of VOK, about the problem suggesting he lean on FEBC to fix it. But will it stay fixed? It`s happened before. An even better idea: don`t even try to share 9400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1763,

DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9400 kHz Radyoya Denge Kurdistane and FEBC Iba Chinese service co-channel, now on Febr 27 at 1210 UT tolerable minus 22 Hertz offset in Iba FEBC site Philippines. Listen to the attached recording from 1310 UT today Feb 27. kind regards (wolfy df5sx, Stuttgart Germany, to Ludo Maes, cc to gh, DXLD)

FEBC Iba transmitter frequency oddity, Feb 27th. 9400 kHz, Radyoya Denge Kurdistane Grigoriopol Maiac, and FEBC Iba Chinese service co-channel, now on Feb 27 at 1210 UT tolerable minus 22 Hertz offset in Iba FEBC site Philippines. Listen to the attached recording from 1310 UT today Feb 27.

ps. FEBC Bocaue site units are all even xxx.000 kHz frequency ...
FEBC Iba site odd frequency, noted on Feb 25, 26, and 27, 2015:

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 9795 0000-0015 49         IBA 100 270 0 146 Kjg PHL FEC
15450 0830-0900 43S,44S    IBA 100 330 0 146 Mvf PHL FEC

 9400 0900-1400 42-44      IBA 100 330 0 146 Mul PHL FEC
 9400.390 kHz on Feb 25.
 9399.982 kHz on Feb 26.
 9399.978 kHz on Feb 27.

 9795 1100-1200 43S,44S,49 IBA 100 270 0 146 Vie PHL FEC
 9794.981 kHz on Feb 26.

 9920 1200-1330 49         IBA 100 270 0 146 Mul PHL FEC
 9919.981 kHz on Feb 26.

 9345 1400-1600 42-44      IBA 100 330 0 146 Cmn PHL FEC
 9795 2300-2400 43S,44S,49 IBA 100 270 0 206 Mul PHL FEC

12070 2300-0100 42-44      IBA 100 330 0 146 Cmn PHL FEC
12069.977 kHz on Feb 25.
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measured on remote SDR Perseus units in
Sydney, NSW, Australia.
Moscow, Russia.
Stuttgart, Germany,
Nagoya, Hiroshima, Tokyo Japan.
(Wolfgang B¸schel, Feb 20/27, BC-DX 27 Feb via DXLD)

9795, Far East Broadcasting Corporation ñ Iba, 2308, 2/26/15, in Mongolian. FEBC theme, ìthis is Far East Broadcasting Corporationî (in English), man with opening of program into a long talk. Fair (Mark Taylor, Madison, Wisconsin, Perseus, WinRadio g313e, Eton e1, Grundig

Satellit 800 & G3, Sangean 909X with clear mod, Tecsun PL 660; 40 meters dipole, RF Systems Mk 2, Flextenna, NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

Maybe, but it`s always been a mere Company, not a Corporation, as still in WRTH page 478 (gh, DXLD)

15620, March 2 at 1401, good signal with gamelan bells, talk sounds Indonesian mentioning SMS number. This really stands out, while 15610 WEWN is JBA. HFCC shows it`s Javanese instead at 1400-1430, 100 kW, 200 degrees from FEBC Bocaue. I wonder how close Javanese is to Bahasa Indonesia, to what extent they are mutually understandable (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PRIDNESTROVYE. Radio Payam-e-Doost & DengÍ KurdistanÍ QSLs MOLDOVA/PRIDNESTROVIA, PRIDNESTROVSKY RADIOTELECENTR via GRIGORIOPOL.

Two different full-data, including program names, Pridnestrovsky Radiotelecentr antennas e-cards from Sergey Omelchenko, Technical Director. Radio Payam-e-Doost 7460 in 16 hours, and DengÍ KurdistanÍ 9400 in under 5 hours. Address: prtc@idknet.com (Wendel Craighead, Prairie Village, Kansas, USA, Feb 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. 17840, RRI, 2/28, 1400. ID by W and into some vocal music, in Romanian language. Outstanding signal! 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, HQ-200 & Slinky, Grundig Satellit 750, Drake R8, random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [and non]. KURZWELLE RATZER.AT --- Zum kostenlosen Download hier auf Ratzer.at --- Nils Schiffhauer: Monitoring CIS Airports

Immer noch gibt es weitgehend unbekannte DX-Kontinente. Einen weiteren hat Nils Schiffhauer, DK8OK, f¸r sich entdeckt: drei Monate lang hat er intensiv nach Kurzwellen-Signalen von Flugh%fen innerhalb der "Gemeinschaft Unabh%ngiger Staaten" (Russland plus Nachfolgestaaten der UdSSR) gefahndet. Viele von ihnen sind mit kurzen Radiochecks in standardisiertem Russisch (nur wenige Worte!) zu hˆren. Dar¸ber berichtet er in einem 34-seitigen PDF
http://ratzer.at/pdf/CIS_Airports_DK8OK.pdf
das zugleich MP3s von mehr als 50 unterschiedlichen Flugh%fen enth%lt - von Workuta in der Arktis bis hinunter nach Samarkand. Und von Kaliningrad bis Novosibirsk.

Die MP3s ermˆglichen nicht nur, die Empf%nge nachvollzuziehen und sich an die Aussprache zu gewˆhnen, sie sollen auch ermuntern, die Zahl der Logs zu erweitern.

Das Paper mit zudem 44 Screenshots stellt zudem noch einige weitere

Strategien zum Monitoring vor - etwa, wie man aus einer Aufnahme von 82 Sekunden Dauer 28 Stationen identifiziert und die Struktur des Netzes mit einer kostenlosen Software darstellt oder wie man die individuellen Eigenschaften einer Station sowie sogar des Sprechers analysiert ("Fingerprinting"). Zum Empfang der SSB-Sendungen braucht man keinen Decoder, aber ein Recorder hilft. Kostenloser Download des Multimedia PDFs.

"Monitoring CIS Airports - this 34-pager with 44 screenshots is an introduction in receiving the radio checks of Russian airports by Nils, DK8OK. He wrote:

In the last months, I had been fascinated by Russian lady's voices. First, I bumped into some very short, disciplined radio checks on the cis-Caucasian net on 5.568 kHz. I spent many hours until I got all identifications of these coded airports. Then I was absorbed by exotic destinations as Samarkand, Turkmenbashi, Vorkuta, Astana ... on other frequencies. What a fascinating continent of DX!

Sometimes signals here in Germany were much better than between the stations themselves. Sometimes signals are faint, equipment old, pronunciation difficult to read. Often I fell victim to the devil of "pattern recognition" - understanding "Volgograd", where "Vologda" was calling. A friendly UDXF member whose Russian is better than mine had been of invaluable help in identifying some CIS civilian airport stations.

This journey had been so fascinating that I wrote a paper sharing this experience. And as encouragement to double the number of 50+ airports, documented by MP3s in this PDF. These audio clips are of some help in identifying such codenames like "Zootekhnik" or to sort out "Amderma" from "Naryan-Mar" in the Arctic or to get the ID of "Dasoguz Radio" in Turkmenistan.

As by-catch, there are shown/developed/suggested some strategies of monitoring - from propagation to fingerprinting SSB signals and documenting a net of stations, exchanging radio checks in a hurry. As example, I analyzed a session of 82 seconds containing no less than 28 radio checks, plus visualizing the net structure by a special (free) software.

These suggestions may be adapted to other nets, like ALE - with even fingerprinting. Happy reading, listening, exploring! Caveat: Embedded MP3s will only work with the most recent version of Adobe`s Acrobat Reader" (via RusDX March 1 via DXLD)

** RWANDA. 15700, March 2 at 0628 something with music, off at 0630 recheck. HFCC shows it was AWR in French via Kigali. This is a

broadcast eligible for special QSL stamp, offered by Adrian Peterson:

``ADVENTIST WORLD RADIO OFFERS SPECIAL QSL STAMP FOR KIGALI BROADCASTS

At the beginning of this current Transmission Period B14 October 6, 2014, Adventist World Radio began a relay service from the Deutsche Welle shortwave relay station near Kigali in Rwanda Africa. The AWR relay via DW Kigali is on the air for a total of 2Ω transmitter hours daily in three languages, French, Amharic & Fulfulde. In one particular time block, two transmitters carry the programming in parallel.

However, Deutsche Welle has subsequently announced that they plan to close their African relay station at the end of this current Transmission Period B14 March 28, 2015 and then dismantle the station. The last AWR broadcasts from DW Kigali will therefore also end at the same time.

For those who would like to receive a QSL card for these now short term broadcasts, AWR would welcome all reception reports from listeners in any part of the world. Each reception report will be verified with a QSL card (not an Email QSL), and the envelope will be affixed with genuine postage stamps, not postal labels. In addition, while supplies last, a special QSL stamp showing Kigali will be attached to the QSL card.

It is not necessary to send an off-air recording of your reception. We just need your honest reception report on paper. Where possible, please enclose return postage in the form of currency notes in any international currency, or mint postage stamps. Please note that IRC coupons are too expensive for you to buy, and they are no longer valid in the United States. Also please enclose your address label.

The only address for the special Kigali QSL stamp is the Indianapolis address at:-
Adventist World Radio, Box 29235, Indianapolis, Indiana 46229, USA.

All reception reports, including all that have already been received, will be QSLed in due course. However, please be patient with us as we already hold uncounted hundreds of reception reports still pending, and it may take us many months to process them all.

The current AWR website shows the following scheduling for the daily Kigali transmissions:-
0600 - 0630 15700 French
0600 - 0630 17800 French
1700 - 1730 9490 Amharic
1930 - 2000 17800 Fulfulde

2000 - 2030 17800 French``

As in DXLD 15-08. The 17800 broadcasts also put good signals into North America. But will the real postage stamps on the mail be from real Rwanda? I suppose that would be too much to expect. It`s also not clear whether the ``special QSL stamp`` is rubber or paper (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5020, SIBC, Honiara. After days of weak or no signal on the old 5019.9 kHz outlet using what sounded like the old transmitter, SIBC was back on air here with a strong signal at 1040. Pleasing to hear it so strongly on 12/2 (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic, Yaesu FT DX 3000, Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu FRG100, Double Bazooka antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD)

SIBC current SW schedule is as follows: 1900-2200 & 0500-1200 on 5020 kHz and *2200-0500* on 9545 kHz.
http://wrth.com/updates_national.html

But as they have reverted to the old transmitter on 5020 kHz, it may have changed, so let's recheck it (Mauno Ritola, Finland, Feb 26, IRCA via DXLD)

Horrendously noisy this morning due to abundant lightning strikes from thunderstorms along the southeast coast. Sounds as bad as at any time during the Summer. (26 Feb)

5019.87, SIBC. As per Ron Howard`s observation yesterday, I found this on the old off-frequency again this morning. At around 1008, I was able to hear a M talking weakly amid the static crashes during a lull in the Rebelde modulation. Later, when Rebelde was off, the M announcer was noted again at 1036 (26 Feb)

SIBC on 5019.88 again this morning but just getting hammered by Rebelde at 1140 check (4 March) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Perseus with Wellbrook ALA1530S and 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, Cumbre DX, edited by gh to restore truncated common words, for WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALIA [non]. 17844.96, R. Ergo, Dhabayya. Service to EAf in Somali at 1251 with long talk and many mentions of Somalia and surrounding countries. R. Ergo ID at 1258, a few lines of a song then off air. The signal was fair but off-frequency and with a pulsating het, which disappeared as soon as the transmitter was switched off. Something not quite right with the modulation on 12/2 (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic, Yaesu FT DX 3000, Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu

FRG100, Double Bazooka antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD)

** SOMALILAND. 7120, Radio Hargeisa, *1459-1506 12 Feb, 1502 16 Feb, *1458-1507 18 Feb. Thanks to Ron Howard's info on their reactivation, RH heard fairly well with trumpet/drum "NA", ID, Qur'an recitations, news & some HOA tunes (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA, G5/PL606 + 6m X wire via Bob Wilkner, DXLD)

7120, R Hargeisa, 0311-0320, two om in commentary with substantial QRN Feb 16 (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Thought they signed on circa 0330; FWIW, Feb 16 was a UT Mon (gh, DXLD)

R. Hargeisa on 7120 kHz, Times of sign off:
Feb 12 1901*
Feb 13 1900*
Feb 14 1900*
Feb 15 1900*
Feb 16 1901*
Feb 17 1900*
Feb 18 1901*
Feb 19 1900*
Feb 20 1900*
Feb 21 1901*
Feb 22 1900*
Feb 23 1901*
Feb 24 1900*
Feb 25 1902*
Feb 26 1900*
Feb 27 1901*
Feb 28 1901*
(Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120-, March 4 at 1340, JBA carrier amid the QRhaM, presumably remnant of R. Hargeisa longpath. BTW, Rob Ross in Ontario got a proxy QSL in the P-mail thru the usual consultant in Germany: ``Radio Hargeisa, Baldur Drobnica DJ6SI - Consulate to Somalia, Zedernweg 6, D-50127 Bergheim, GERMANY`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALILAND. QSL RECEIVED from Radio Hargeisa British Somaliland (SOMALIA) Hi Guys: What a Surprise to go to the mailbox today and see a QSL Card that had arrived from RADIO HARGEISA!!! This station is officially located in the Radio Country of BRITISH SOMALILAND (SOMALIA), for Country Counting Purposes. Hargeisa was my 216th radio

country geard and my 191st radio country verified on SHORTWAVE.

I sent my report via an employee of the German Consulate to Somalia via an address in GERMANY. Apparently this employee "BALDUR DROBNICA" is or was a volunteer at the station and also acts as their QSL Consultant. Baldur is also a ham radio operator and is DJ6SI licensed in GERMANY!

Very happy to add this tough radio country to my QSL Album! And thanks go to Mark Coady (ODXA Shortwave Editor) for alerting me to the fact that Radio Hargeisa had recently re-activated on Feb/11/2015. Details Below.

RADIO HARGEISA Hargeisa, BRITISH SOMALILAND (Somalia), 7120, Feb/11/15 Reception. FULL DATA Station QSL Card received in 16 Days for a report sent to:

Radio Hargeisa
? - Baldur Drobnica - Consulate to Somalia
Zedernweg 6
D-50127 Bergheim
GERMANY

I sent an English report and $1.00 USA for RETURN POSTAGE. Card was mailed from Germany, and signed by Baldur Drobnica DJ6SI - Consultant. Card shows the Station Power as 100 kW!! with a T-Antenna. Card also has the Radio Hargeisa station rubber stamp on it. 73 ROB VA3SW (Robert S. Ross, London, Ontario CANADA, ODXA yg via DXLD)

Baldur issues again QSL of 7120 Somaliland transmission, I guess against paid some green Dollars postage help, due he is a very old retired pensioner. 73 wolfy (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Baldur Drobnica DJ6SI is a very colorful personality, so in the amateur radio scene in Germany since the 70ties. He is a retired former - counterintelligence - officer of the German secret service "Protection of the Constitution", aged 79 years.

The consulate of Somaliland is not official. He is only a supporter to Somaliland Radio Hargeisha. See the picture image on the QSL postcard, Baldur visited the radio station Hargeisha in Somaliland in 2009. He is the guy in the red shirt on the postcard print out.
https://n6pse.wordpress.com/2014/11/27/interview-with-baldur-drobnica-dj6si/

Spratly island tragedy.
http://www.dokufunk.org/upload/dx_magazine_spratly.pdf

He was one of 4 German amateur radio operators who have participated

in a DX expedition maritime-mobile to the Spratly Islands in 1983, located between Vietnam, Malaysia, Philippines and China.

It is noted that Baldur connected with the big guns {constitutional protection, German domestic intelligence service officer} was one of the Survivors of the tragedy Spratly Island amateur radio pedition in 1983s, when 2 German radio pedition operators came to death, shot down by Vietnamese border navy guards.

http://www.dokufunk.org/amateur_radio/dxcc_entities/index.php?CID=7925
http://www.dokufunk.org/amateur_radio/dxcc_entities/index.php?CID=7925#A8871

--/MM April 1983 Gero Band, DJ3NG; Diethelm M¸ller, DJ4EI;
Norbert Willand, DF6FK; Baldur Drobnica, DJ6SI
on Off Amboyna Cay island,
QSL: Baldur Drobnica DJ6SI

http://dj6si.darc.de/spratlyhtm.htm

Baldur has also connection with Radio Hargeisa in Somaliland and helped to bring radio tx gear into this separated area.
<http://www.mydarc.de/dj6si/hargeisa/hargeisa.htm>
<http://www.mydarc.de/dj6si/auszeichnungen.htm>
<http://www.pileup.de.com/>
<http://dj6si.darc.de/hargeisa/hargeisa.htm>
<http://www.mydarc.de/dj6si/spratlyhtm.htm>
<http://www.mydarc.de/dj6si/Presse.htm>

Recent cluster spottings prior to Baldur's arrest.
<http://dx-world.net/2012/sv5-dj6si-arrested-on-espionage/
http://www.dokufunk.org/amateur_radio/dxcc_entities/index.php?CID=8883&ID=8981&PHPSESSID=4850a9fcfd27f0102df0103090b4088c

73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, DXLD)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 9370 WWRB & 9980 WWCR, March 4 at 1422, both Brother Scare transmitters have some crackle in the modulation, 9980 being worse, and some also detectable on 11825 WRMI. Apparently defective feed emanating from Walterboro. This is not really unusual; and corresponding to the defective theology erupted (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN/JAPAN [non]. Strange test of REE/RNE over R. Japan NHK World on Feb 25:
1315-1320 11685 NOB 200 kW / 161 deg WCAf Spanish TEST, REE relay RNE
1300-1345 11685 SNG 250 kW / 315 deg SoAs Bengali Radio Japan NHKWorld
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/strange-test-of-reerne-and-upcoming.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Feb 26, dxldyg via DXLD)

That is a broadcast of the State of Nation debate in the Spanish Congress going on all this week. RNE has always it carried it live. I am listening to it now on 585 MW. 73s, (Marty DelfÌn, Madrid, Spain, ibid.) I.e. never normally on air at that hour (gh)

Latest frequency changes of REE/RNE from March 1
1500-1900 9620#NOB 200 kW / 290 deg NoAm Spanish Sat/Sun, co-ch AIR
1500-1900 11940^NOB 200 kW / 230 deg SoAm Spanish Sat/Sun, not 17715
1500-1900 15490*NOB 200 kW / 110 deg N/ME Spanish Sat/Sun, ex 12030
1500-1900 17755 NOB 200 kW / 161 deg WCAf Spanish Sat/Sun, ex 11685

1900-2300 9620#NOB 200 kW / 290 deg NoAm Spanish Daily, co-ch AIR
1900-2300 11940 NOB 200 kW / 230 deg SoAm Spanish Daily, not 17715
1900-2300 15490 NOB 200 kW / 110 deg N/ME Spanish Daily, ex 12030
1900-2300 17755 NOB 200 kW / 161 deg WCAf Spanish Daily, ex 11685
co-ch 1500-2030 AIR Baluchi/Farsi/Arabic/French; 1630-1730 CRI Hausa
1830-1925 Voice of Turkey French and QRM 1800-2000 CRI German on 9615
^ QRM 1700-1900 Radio Japan NHK World in Japanese
* co-ch 1700-1900 Adventist World Radio in Swahili and Masai
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/latest-frequency-changes-of-reerne-from.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #898 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, March 2, 2015 via DXLD)

** SPAIN. Radio Exterior de EspaÒa will move to higher frequencies beginning this Friday. The current frequency of 11685 kHz will be replaced by 17755 and 11940 kHz by 17715, according to an article in today's La Opinion newspaper from A CoruÒa, Galicia.

As you recall, Spanish fishermen had asked RTVE for higher frequencies and more broadcast time so they could hear REE as they trawl the south Atlantic and Indian Ocean. Since the broadcasts on shortwave were resumed late last year, the fishermen have complained that reception has been poor on the lower frequencies and broadcast times are inconvenient.

Nevertheless, the state broadcaster RTVE said for the moment it won't be possible to extend the hours of broadcasts on the weekends, as it originally promised, because transmitters at the Noblejas site will have to be sent to the United States for upgrades. 73s, (Marty DelfÌn, Madrid, Spain, Thu Feb 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

As per the Spanish Radio Listeners Association (AER), REE has made an additional frequency change starting this afternoon/evening.

15490 kHz to the Middle East and Indian Ocean will replace 12030 beginning at 1900 UT.

New sked as follows:
1900 to 2300 Monday-Friday:
17755 beamed to West Africa and South Atlantic
17715 South America
 9620 North America
15490 Middle East and Indian Ocean

1500 to 2300 Saturday-Sunday:
17755 West Africa and South Atlantic
17715 South America
 9620 North America
15490 Middle East and Indian Ocean

As we are in the middle of the La Liga season, most of the weekend programming until May will be live broadcasts of soccer matches.

AER, which has become part of the active lobby to save REE, is asking for all listeners, especially in the Americas, to help the association by reporting reception on these new frequencies at email: general@aer.org.es 73s, (Marty DelfÌn, Madrid Spain, Feb 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Recent registrations, include also tentative and reserve channels, especially for football live coverage on European Champions League and Spanish league games, latter also on Saturday and Sunday, see day '17'

 9620 1500-2400 4,6-11 NOB 200 290 17 REE
 9620 1900-2400 4,6-11 NOB 200 290 23456 REE
11685 1500-2400 46,47,52,57 NOB 200 161 17 REE
11685 1900-2400 46,47,52,57 NOB 200 161 23456 REE
11940 1500-2400 12-16 NOB 200 230 17 REE
11940 1900-2400 12-16 NOB 200 230 23456 REE
12030 1500-2400 38,39,47,48 NOB 200 110 17 REE
12030 1900-2400 38,39,47,48 NOB 200 110 23456 REE
15110 1900-2300 4,7-11 NOB 200 302 1234567 REE
15385 2000-2400 46,47,52,57 NOB 200 161 234567 REE
15490 1500-2400 4,6-11 NOB 200 290 17 REE
15490 1900-2400 4,6-11 NOB 200 290 23456 REE
17715 1600-2200 12-16 NOB 200 230 1234567 REE
17755 1600-2400 46,47,52,57 NOB 200 161 1234567 REE
17850 1800-2400 4,6-11 NOB 200 272 1234567 REE
21610 1800-2400 37E,38,39,47,48 NOB 200 110 1234567 REE
(via Wolfgang B¸schel, DXLD)

REE on old frequencies 9620, 11685 (not 17755), 11940 (not 17715), 12030 (not 15490) at 1856 UT, Feb 27. Video will be uploaded after few minutes. We expect the changes of tomorrow. -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH:

Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

M·s cambios en el esquema de REE
Publicado el 27 febrero 2015 16:16 por EA4-0003febrero 27, 2015
http://aer.org.es/archivos/3750

La Plataforma en Defensa de la Onda Corta en Radio Exterior de EspaÒa,. de la que la AER es cofundadora, informa que este viernes 27.02.2015 REE cambiar·, adem·s de las frecuencia de 11685 y 11940 por las de 17755 y 17715, la de 12030 por 15490 por lo que el esquema provisional de transmisiones quedarÌa como sigue:

1900 a 2300 Lunes a Viernes
a.. 17755 ¡frica occidental y Atl·ntico sur
b.. 17715 AmÈrica del sur
c.. 9620 AmÈrica del norte
d.. 15490 Oriente medio e Õndico

1500 a 2300 S·bados y domingos:
a.. 17755 ¡frica occidental y Atl·ntico sur
b.. 17715 AmÈrica del sur
c.. 9620 AmÈrica del norte
d.. 15490 Oriente medio e Õndico

Como es lÛgico, rogamos a todos los radioescuchas, especialmente a los americanos, que nos informen de cÛmo llegan estas nuevas frecuencias: general@aer.org.es
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(Pedro Sedano, Madrid, EspaÒa, COORDINADOR GENERAL, ASOCIACI”N ESPA—OLA DE RADIOESCUCHA (AER), Feb 27, noticias dx yg via DXLD)

[later that same day]:

CorrecciÛn en el esquema de REE --- Publicado el 27 febrero 2015 16:16 por EA4-0003 febrero 27, 2015 --- La Plataforma en Defensa de la Onda Corta en Radio Exterior de EspaÒa, de la que la AER es cofundadora, informa que REE no se aclara con los cambios que entran en vigor este s·bado 28.02.2015 y que definitivamente parece que el esquema provisional de transmisiones quedarÌa como sigue:

1900 a 2300 Lunes a Viernes
a.. 9620 AmÈrica del norte
b.. 11940 AmÈrica del sur
c.. 17755 ¡frica occidental y Atl·ntico sur (nueva fx)
d.. 15490 Oriente medio e Õndico (nueva fx)

1500 a 2300 S·bados y domingos:
a.. 9620 AmÈrica del norte

b.. 11940 AmÈrica del sur
c.. 17755 ¡frica occidental y Atl·ntico sur (nueva fx)
d.. 15490 Oriente medio e Õndico (nueva fx)

Como es lÛgico, rogamos a todos los radioescuchas, especialmente a los americanos, que nos informen de cÛmo llegan estas nuevas frecuencias: general@aer.org.es (Pedro Sedano, Madrid, EspaÒa, COORDINADOR GENERAL, ASOCIACI"N ESPA—OLA DE RADIOESCUCHA (AER), noticiasdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

REE/RNE on 11685, 11940, 12030 on Feb 27, instead of 15490, 17715, 17755 // 9620
1900-2300 9620 NOB 200 kW / 290 deg NoAm Spanish, co-ch AIR Arabic!
1900-2300 11685 NOB 200 kW / 161 deg WCAf Spanish, instead new 17755
1900-2300 11940 NOB 200 kW / 230 deg SoAm Spanish, instead new 17715
1900-2300 12030 NOB 200 kW / 110 deg N/ME Spanish, instead new 15490
We expect the changes today or tomorrow at 1500 UTC.
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/reerne-on-116851194012030-on-feb27.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, Feb 28, ibid.)

12030 // 11940 // much stronger 9620, Feb 27 at 2127, REE in Spanish on three old frequencies, but if on 11685, the JBA signal is not matchable. Widespread publicity came out that REE would finally move to some better, higher frequencies starting this date, but it did not happen. How about tomorrow, since after all, nothing is more important than weekend stupid ballgames?

15490, Sat Feb 28 at 1503, REE now on this new frequency, very good signal, with SBG coverage, a bit of SP/LP echo. But still nothing on the other promised NF, 17755. Also poor on 12030; JBA carrier, else? on 11940? Nothing audible here on 9620, not surprising across midday path. At 1600, still no REE on 17 MHz.

Wolfgang B¸schel hears 9620, 12030, 15490 only and says after 16, 15490 is a terrible choice, colliding with AWR via South Africa; while 9620 altho aimed westward, collides in Germany with East Turkistan and India.

Per Ivo Ivanov, the plan was/is for these changes: 17755 ex-11685; 17715 ex-11940; 15490 ex-12030; apparently maintaining 9620: 19-23 weekdays, 15-23 weekends.

An earlier version dated Feb 25 in a press release from AER which has been lobbying for such changes, made no mention of 15490, instead: 17755 ex-11685, 17715 ex-11940; still on 9620, 12030
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Only one new frequency of REE/RNE is on air and one is off on Feb 28

from 1500 9620 NOB 200 kW / 290 deg NoAm Sat/Sun, co-ch AIR
from 1500 11940 NOB 200 kW / 230 deg SoAm Sat/Sun, not 17715
from 1500 11685 NOB 200 kW / 161 deg WCAf Sat/Sun, off air, no 17755
from 1500 15490 NOB 200 kW / 110 deg N/ME Sat/Sun, ex 12030
Same freqs at 1600 UT
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/reerne-on-new-15490-ex-12030-parallel.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, ibid.)

On Saturday Feb 28, 16-18 UT, heard Noblejas outlets only three channels with live coverage (amongst also FC Barcelona game) on 9620, 11940, and 15490 kHz. And heard few times empty carrier of S=9+30dB on 11685 kHz. Nothing heard of REE on 17 MHz 16 mb.

In central Europe 9620 is a terrible mixture of 3 services, but is meant at 290 degrees westwards, and will be much stronger in the football live coverage target on Atlantic Ocean vessels fleet. AIR Persian/Arabic and CRI Kashgar Hausa services also on this 9620 kHz co-channel.

But a VERY BAD FREQUENCY SELECTION by REE Madrid is the 15490 kHz channel, which is also in USE by powerhouse 500 kW from Sentec Meyerton brokers AWR program in Swahili and Masai, at 19 degrees northwards all Africa service. S=9+30dB powerful service.

At same 16-18 UT time slot, I counted some 93 free/adjacent channel free channels in 19 mb: very poor solution by the Spanish REE Frequency management organization. Wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, dxldyg via DXLD)

Por Santiago de Chile, sÛlo los 15490, 1500 UT, audible con excelente seÒal, como tambiÈn lo seÒala Juli·n por Ciudad de MÈxico. Es de suponer y esperar, se mantendrÌa con cobertura por toda la jornada esta frecuencia de 19 mts., es decir hasta su cierre a las 2259 UT. 73' (ce3BBC, Hugo LÛpez C., Santiago de Chile, Feb 28, noticiasdx yg via DXLD)

°Ahora estoy escuchando a REE, sobre la frecuencia de 15490 y la seÒal audio es Ûptimo! La crÛnica radiofÛnica de football est· muy nÌtida, agradable y la calidad del audio es S = 4 aunque conocido un leve "tremor" en el audio pero que no crea problemas de escucha (Agide Melloni - Imola (Italia), Grundig "Satellit" ; 3400P / Kenwood R-2000 Antena hilar interior, ibid.)

La seÒal que iniciÛ a las 1455 UT, en estos momentos 1511 UT ha bajado de calidad de un SINPO de 5 a uno de 3. Sin seÒal en las otras frecuencias de REE, Saludos, (Juli·n Santiago, MÈxico, D.F., Enviado desde mi iPad, ibid.)

Radio Exterior de EspaÒa iniciando transmisiÛn a 1458, programa
Tablero Deportivo, curiosamente aun anuncian las frecuencias antiguas.
 9620 SINPO 44444
11940 SINPO 34433
15490 SINPO 34433
17755 SINPO 24322
Enviado desde Type (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, EspaÒa, Escucha en Friol,
noticiasdx via DXLD)

15490, March 1 at 1457, REE IS on second day of new frequency; good
strength but quite a short/long path echo. Quick check of 17 MHz finds
nothing yet, and when I get back to 15490 have missed part of sign-on
frequency announcement including 15490, 9620, 12030 plus irrelevant
satellite frequencies. Then I can only detect JBA signals on 12030,
17755, but at least this one is now on, // 15490 at 1506. Running 9620
to North America across the noon meridian is madness, inaudible; maybe
it reaches the first hop into the Atlantic (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

Latest frequency changes of REE/RNE from March 1
1500-1900 9620 NOB 200 kW / 290 deg NoAm Spanish Sat/Sun, co-ch AIR
1500-1900 11940 NOB 200 kW / 230 deg SoAm Spanish Sat/Sun, not 17715
1500-1900 15490 NOB 200 kW / 110 deg N/ME Spanish Sat/Sun, ex 12030
1500-1900 17755 NOB 200 kW / 161 deg WCAf Spanish Sat/Sun, ex 11685

1900-2300 9620 NOB 200 kW / 290 deg NoAm Spanish Daily, co-ch AIR
1900-2300 11940 NOB 200 kW / 230 deg SoAm Spanish Daily, not 17715
1900-2300 15490 NOB 200 kW / 110 deg N/ME Spanish Daily, ex 12030
1900-2300 17755 NOB 200 kW / 161 deg WCAf Spanish Daily, ex 11685
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/latest-frequency-changes-of-reerne-
from.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

Thanks Ivo, REE Noblejas log in southern Germany around 1540 to 1555
UT March 1:
 9620 terrible mixture of AIR and REE, S=9+35dB or -42dBm.
11940 at 1545 UT S=9+20db or -55dBm.
15490 at 1550 UT S=9+30dB or -47dBm.
17755 at 1555 UT S=9+10dB or -60dBm.
wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

Video at 1700 UT: on new 15490 co-ch AWR via Meyerton
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/latest-frequency-changes-of-reerne-
from.html

Pretty awful propagation to the West Coast North America. The only one
I can hear at all is 15490 with weak audio. OTH Radar jumping all over

the 16 meter band, including 17775 [sic]. All of this at 1905 check. 73, (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, March 1, ibid.)

15490 & 9620, March 2 at 2119, REE with good signals, much weaker on 11940 and no 12030 or 17755, during `EspaÒoles en la Mar` hour, which is now the prime reason for being back on SW; this show is not totally nautical, but various magazine topix for seafarers, or anyone, such as 2155 about a Cuban singer; earlier repeated ``en la mar`` several times (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. 11905, SLBC, Trincomalee. It seems already daily *0115ñ 0230* only in Hindi/Tamil without English programs ñ observed in Dec-Feb (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF 2001D, folded Marconi antenna 16m, March Australian DX News via DXLD) WRTH 2015 says no Tamil, but Bengali until 0130, then Hindi daily, tho previous skeds were more convoluted (gh)

11905, Feb 27 at 0114:47.5, music prÈlude starts, 0115:11.5 mistimesignal ends from SLBC, very poor.

11905, March 3 at *0114:11 strong carrier comes on with flutter, 0114:47 usual musical prÈlude starts, 0115:20.5 mistimesignal ends and SLBC ID pronounced in English, opening Bengali or Hindi (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Sri Lanka has been booming in here the last two nites - 11905, *0115-0230z. Very exotic music if you like that kind of stuff - I do! (Rich Ray, Burr Ridge, IL, PS - Sri Lanka on an old Grundig Satellit 800 with AOR LA400 loop, March 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. 7205, Radio Omdurman, 0300, 2/16/15. Seems as though Sudan may have gone back to using 7205. I've a good signal here at 0300 and heard mentions of Sudan, Khartoum and seemingly Omdurman. At 0317 into presumed Koran recitations. Had been following them on 7200 when they reactivated. On February 15 they were up on 7205 during the same time frame but had a definite audio problem. February 16 (Steve Lare, Holland, MI, Drake R7, R8, R8A and R8B. 70' and 200' wires, NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

** SUDAN [and non]. 15560, (Presumed) Sudanese tone jammer 1534, 1553 13/18 Feb. Still 10 kHz above their target (R. Dabanga). Back on 15550 (and well under Dabanga/WJHR) at 1538 19 Feb., but up to 15560 once more at 1533 20 Feb., and back down on 15550 at 1550+ 21 Feb (and still well under Dabanga/WJHR). (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA, G5/PL606 + 6m X wire via Bob Wilkner, DXLD)

15550, Feb 27 at 1523, surprised to hear no Radio Tamazuj, but the Sudanese tone jammer is already on, messing with WJHR USB. No signal

on 15400 either, both of which had been VATICAN broadcasting Tamazuj without jamming at 1500-1530; another SMG transmitter is as usual on 15100 with unreasonably big signal relaying RVA in Filipino away from us, so it`s hardly accidental or a power problem that 15400 & 15550 are missing. I hunt thru the entire 19m band and do not find them anywhere else.

13800, however, is still on at 1525 with R. Tamazuj, ID at 1529 closing and 1530 into R. Dabanga, only fair signal. Then I go back to 15550 and find that has now come on with Dabanga too vs WJHR and tone jamming which got a head start. 13800 is listed as MADAGASCAR at 1500-1600, but the second half of Dabanga at 1600-1630 scheduled to switch back to Vatican, unchecked today. Latest HFCC of Feb 27 shows SMG still supposed to be on 15400 and 15550 starting at 1500 thru March 28.

15550 & 15400, Sat Feb 28 at 1500, R. Tamazuj is back on both VATICAN relay frequencies, i.e. the defacto bigsig North American service. No tone jamming yet; at 1530, 15400 is off as usual, and still no tone jamming on 15550 as R. Dabanga is beginning, just the collision with WJHR-USB. By 1558 recheck, now the tone jamming can also be heard on 15550.

Now at 1559 Feb 28 I check // 13800 with weaker signal and tone jamming too; no break in transmission for scheduled switch from Madagascar to SMG Vatican site, and seems to be synch with 15550, so the switch probably happened 2 or 3 minutes earlier.

Now why were both Tamazuj Vatican frequencies missing on Feb 27? Maybe it`s a regular Friday-off thing from Islamic influence? But not noticed before, and WRTH listings claim it`s on daily. BTW, Tamazuj is for both Sudan and Sudan South, while Dabanga is for the Darfur region of western Sudan.

15400 & 15550, March 1 at 1525, R. Tamazuj via VATICAN, no tone jamming yet. 13800 via MADAGASCAR checked at 1527 is way out of synch with the others and still so at 1554 during Dabanga; too weak to figure out how far off, or which comes first. At 1554, there is a fast SAH open carrier QRMing 13800, i.e. warmup for imminent site switch, then it`s off. 1556:54 the MAD transmitter cuts off and there is nothing for about 5 seconds until VAT comes up weaker, and now it`s synchro with 15550. So the changeover time of 1600 in Aoki, EiBi and HFCC are all incorrect instead of 1557. There is tremendous pressure to round things off, which databases need to confront and combat in the face of monitoring evidence, or even standard operational procedures (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15550, March 2 at 1502, no signal from R. Tamazuj via VATICAN; //
15400 has an open carrier only, but it`s off by 1504. However, third
//, 13800 via MADAGASCAR is on at 1505, good signal in Arabish, no
jamming heard. It seems that Santa Maria di Galeria has a hard time
getting the program feed reliably from Amsterdam(?).

The other SMG relay, of RVA on 15100 is good as usual with some echo.
Not checked again until 1611 during Dabanga, when 13800 has become a
JBA carrier, and 15550 lacks Dabanga, just tone jamming and WJHR

15400 & 15550, March 3 at 1459, R. Tamazuj opening via VATICAN with VG
signals, clear on 15400 and vs WJHR on 15550, so SMG has successfully
connected to programming today, unlike yesterday, in this de-facto
North American service. Let`s hope some signal is also getting into
Sudan and South Sudan (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

See changes from March 29: MADAGASCAR/VATICAN STATE [to Sudan] Die
niederlaendischen Sudan-Programme Radio Tamazuj und Radio Dabanga
haben jetzt folgenden Sendeplan:

[currently:]
0400-0600 7315 (Santa Maria di Galeria Vatican State 250 kW, 146 degr)
Radio Tamazuj 0430 UT Radio Dabanga
0400-0600 15550 (15555) (Talata Volonondry MG 250 kW, 335 degr)
Radio Tamazuj 0430 UT Radio Dabanga
0400-0427 11940 (Talata Volonondry MG 250 kW, 320 degr) Radio Tamazuj
1500-1630 15550 (15555) (Santa Maria di Galeria VA 200 kW, 150 degr)
Radio Tamazuj 1530 UT Radio Dabanga
1500-1600 13800 (Talata Volonondry MG 250 kW, 340 degr)
Radio Tamazuj 1530 UT Radio Dabanga
1500-1527 15400 (Santa Maria di Galeria VA 200 kW, 139 degr) Radio
Tamazuj
1600-1630 13800 (Santa Maria di Galeria VA 200 kW, 146 degr)

in summer season A-15 instead:
0400-0530 13800 (Talata Volonondry MG 250 kW, 320 degr)
Radio Tamazuj 0430 UT Radio Dabanga
0400-0600 11650 (Santa Maria di Galeria Vatican State 250 kW, 146
degr)
Radio Tamazuj 0430 UT Radio Dabanga
1500-1530 13800 (Santa Maria di Galeria VA 200 kW, 146 degr) Radio
Tamazuj
1500-1600 15150 (Talata Volonondry MG 250 kW, 340 degr)
Radio Tamazuj 1530 UT Radio Dabanga
1500-1630 15550 (Santa Maria di Galeria VA 200 kW, 150 degr)
Radio Tamazuj 1530 UT Radio Dabanga
1600-1630 15150 (Santa Maria di Galeria VA 200 kW, 146 degr)
(Ivo Ivanov 28.1., 10.2., Robert S. Ross 4.2., Dan Sheedy 6., 9.,

10.2., Glenn Hauser 10.2., wb 13.2.2015 dxld via Dr. Hansjoerg Biener-D, ntt, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Febr 28 via wb, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SURINAME. 4990, R. Apintie, Paramaribo, 2230-2243, 01/3, canÁıes, texto, presumÏvelmente, em holandÍs; 34331, QRM de teletipo (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWEDEN. Dear DX-friends, This Saturday R Sweden Revival broadcasts on two frequencies until 1900 UT:

6065.00, R Revival Sweden, Sala (10 kW), 1315-1335 28.2, R Merkur with Russian ann "Programme Evergreen", Russian and German songs ("Sie tanzen einen Tango"), not audible in USB, 55555, AP-DNK

9865.00, R Revival Sweden, Sala (5 kW), 1315-1335 28.2, R Merkur with Russian ann "Programme Evergreen", Russian and German songs ("Sie tanzen einen Tango") , best heard in USB! // 6065, 35343. Best 73, (Anker Petersen, Feb 28, WB yg via DXLD)

6065, Radio Revival Sweden, 1733-1750, 28-02, Swedish, comments, pop music. // 9865. 32432. (Mendez)

9865, Radio Revival Sweden, 1735-1748, 28-02, Swedish, comments and pop music. // 6065. 23322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Tecsun PL-880 cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active Loop antenna, Logs in Friol, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Transmissions from Sala on February 28 1100-1800 UT slot:
Radio Nord Revival
1100-1200 on 6065 SAL 010 kW / non-dir to Eu LSB
1100-1200 on 9865 SAL 005 kW / non-dir to Eu AM
SDXF Sveriges DX-Fˆrbund
1200-1300 on 6065 SAL 010 kW / non-dir to Eu LSB
1200-1300 on 9865 SAL 005 kW / non-dir to Eu AM
Radio Merkurs
1300-1500 on 6065 SAL 010 kW / non-dir to Eu LSB
1300-1500 on 9865 SAL 005 kW / non-dir to Eu AM
78-timmen with Ola Rosengren
1500-1600 on 6065 SAL 010 kW / non-dir to Eu LSB
1500-1600 on 9865 SAL 005 kW / non-dir to Eu AM
Country Box with Kenneth Friberg
1600-1700 on 6065 SAL 010 kW / non-dir to Eu LSB
1600-1700 on 9865 SAL 005 kW / non-dir to Eu AM
The Ronny B Goode Show
1700-1800 on 6065 SAL 010 kW / non-dir to Eu LSB
1700-1800 on 9865 SAL 005 kW / non-dir to Eu AM
Hit! with DJ PeWee
1800-1900 on 6065 SAL 010 kW / non-dir to Eu LSB

1800-1900 on 9865 SAL 005 kW / non-dir to Eu AM
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/transmissions-from-sala-on-
february-28.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #898 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, March 2, 2015
via DXLD)

** SYRIA [non]. Weitergeleitete Nachricht --------
Betreff: [NET-RADIO] Programmtipps - update-
Datum: Fri, 27 Feb 2015 14:02:22 +0100

http://www.rhci-online.de/Programmtipps.pdf

Ich selbst hatte den direkten Termin verpasst, es gibt ja auch noch
ein Leben jenseits der Radiowellen... ...   ;-) Gesucht und
gefunden und angehˆrt hatte ich die Sendung nun gerade bei YOUTUBE.
Neben den Audiodaten hat man einen Videostream mit englischen
Untertiteln. Das ist sehr hilfreich (auch f¸r Deutsche) bez¸glich der
Schreibweise der genannten syrischen Radiosender.

So gesehen handelt es sich um ein hervorragendes bilinguales Feature:
Deutsch/Englisch. Deshalb auch mein "CC" nach DXLD.

http://www.deutschlandradiokultur.de/syria-fm.958.de.html?dram:article_id=309732

Published on 02/23/2015 --- Feature of Julia Tieke with *English*
subtitles They are called "Syrian Breezes", "Radio Soul", "Our Country
FM" or "Radio For Everyone" - 20 Syrian broadcasters launched in the
last three years with employees in Syria and studios abroad.

=====>   SYRIA FM   <=====
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iAN5vKjE7Pc
(roger, Germany, 27 Feb, NET-RADIO Programm-tips, dxldyg via WORLD OF
RADIO 1763, DXLD

** TAIWAN [non]. / [USA?] Probably a test via an US relay station?
<http://spanish.rti.org.tw/whatsNew/?recordId=8357>

re 11920. There is still a providently veiled registration of MBR
Nauen for evangelic protestant HCJB organisation via Nauen towards
South America earlier the evening:
11920 kHz 2245-0045 UT, 12,13,14,15,16 NAU 100 240 Xpk D MBR
X.Sane (BC-DX 27 Feb via DXLD

Estimado Antonio: Estamos buscando ayuda para verificar una seÒal y
necesitamos su ayuda. En busca de alternativas para la transmisiÛn de
nuestra programaciÛn a SudamÈrica, Radio Taiw·n Internacional
realizar· transmisiones de prueba de frecuencia hacia esta regiÛn,
desde el jueves 5 de marzo hasta el s·bado 7 de marzo de 2015, a

travÈs de la frecuencia 11920 kHz en el horario UT 0200-0300.

Solicitamos la colaboraciÛn de nuestros amigos oyentes que se encuentren en los paÌses de SudamÈrica y CentroamÈrica, a que verifiquen dicha seÒal, y nos envÌen al dÌa siguiente de la escucha un informe de recepciÛn de la nueva frecuencia de prueba a nuestro e-mail: esp@rti.org.tw

øSerÌa posible contar con su ayuda? Muchas gracias de antemano y cordiales saludos, Andrea Wang, SecciÛn espaÒol, Radio Taiw·n Internacional (via Antonio Avelino, Diretor, DX Clube Sem Fronteiras via Juan Franco Crespo, DXLD)

Site? Anything but FRANCE, I suppose, that deal ending (gh, DXLD)

Radio Taiw·n Internacional pide ayuda: Estimados amigos: Estamos buscando ayuda para verificar una seÒal y necesitamos su ayuda. En busca de alternativas para la transmisiÛn de nuestra programaciÛn a SudamÈrica, Radio Taiw·n Internacional realizar· transmisiones de prueba de frecuencia hacia esta regiÛn, desde el jueves 5 de marzo hasta el s·bado 7 de marzo de 2015 (fechas UTC) a travÈs de WRMI en la frecuencia 11920 kHz en el horario UTC 0200-0300.

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Earlier info above direct from RTI did NOT reveal the transmitter site, as if no one would care?! (gh, DXLD)

** TAIWAN. 13775.12, Sound of Hope (Xiwang zhi Sheng). I don't normally bother checking this station - haven't done so for a long time now. But interesting to hear a bunch of un-jammed frequencies on 11/2 from 1100 onwards. 13775.12 kHz was quite strong and about 5 seconds behind 13890.04 kHz which was also strong. Then suddenly off at 1117. 13890.04 continued on its merry way, along with 13980.20 (which was in the clear until CNR jamming started up at 1122). 13869.92 and 13820.19 also remained un-jammed on 11/2.

This station is never very strong here (reportedly low power), but it was interesting to hear all these frequencies together this evening. Has there been a power increase, or was I just lucky? Evening Asian signals are often much better for us in the summer, despite the high

atmospheric noise (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic, Yaesu FT DX 3000, Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu FRG100, Double Bazooka antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD)

** TAIWAN. TAIWAN? 15340.0 kHz. Weak signal here in Chinese from 1355 tune-in to abrupt fade at 1406. Initially seemed to be a man in Chinese. At TOH, fanfare and a woman announcer. Signal was somewhat better 1403-1404, during which it became clear that the language was Chinese. Only station I can find listed here in that time slot is the 1 kW Sound of Hope Radio from Taiwan. Other Asian sigs at good levels here during this time. 2/28 (Art Delibert, N. Bethesda, MD, Drake R8B, Pennant antenna with DX Engineering amp, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

Art, What listing is that? Aoki shows SOH with 0.1 kW and as with ALL SOH listings a * next to the frequency, which means accompanied by a hi-power CNR1 jammer, far more likely what you heard. It is necessary to distinguish SOH from CNR1 by //s, programming style, if not understanding Chinese. Otherwise the assumption should be it is a jammer without evidence to the contrary. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Glenn -- Thanks for the query. The listing I mentioned is the new WRTH bar-graph, which shows Sound of Hope as 1 kW. The TOH fanfare sounded nothing like what I usually hear from CNR1. (I've heard CNR1 on top of Taiwan on 5010, and it's regular CNR1 programming, parallel to 11710) So I don't think this was CNR1. Also, signal level seemed not inconsistent with what I would expect from a 1 kw signal on 20 meters from that part of the world on a good day, based on my time as an amateur radio operator (Art Delibert, ibid.)

Good; this needs to be made clear. I wonder if the WRTH bar-graph also shows CNR1 jammers liable to accompany every SOH frequency? (gh, DXLD)

** TAIWAN [and non]. 13820 & 13890, TAIWAN. Sound Of Hope (Tentative), Chinese Jamming, (Tentative), at 0225, on 26 Feb. The stations have a male and a female taking turns talking while there is music playing softly in the background. I cannot pick up any stations below this programming. At 0230 there was a time pip followed by what sounded like a (Tentative) SOH station ID. Both frequencies have the same programming going on. Fair.

16450, TAIWAN. (Tentative) Sound of Hope, (Tentative) Chinese Jamming (Tentative), at 0258, on 26 Feb, a male and a female were talking with music in the background. At 0200 [sic; means 0300?] there were several time pips and then the station went off the air. The (Tentative) SOH station was listed to stay on until 1400 according to EIBI. Fair (John

Cooper, Lebanon, PA, Winradio-G33DDC, CommRadio CR-1A, RF Space-SDR-IQ, Sangean ATS-909X w/ Clear Mod, Tecsun PL-660, Wellbrook ALA 1530+, Super Sloper Tuned All Band Antenna, PARS-SWL End Fed x 2, NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

Those timespans are extremely variable (gh, DXLD)

** TAIWAN. 7270, OPPOSITION, Voice of China ñ Taipei, Taiwan (Presumed), 2312, 2/28/15, in Mandarin. Man and woman alternating. Not // CNR 1 (e.g. 7230 via Xíian). PBS Nei Menggu in Mongolian was also listed, however this was definitely Mandarin. Fair signal (Mark Taylor, Madison, Wisconsin, Perseus, WinRadio g313e, Eton e1, Grundig Satellit 800 & G3, Sangean 909X with clear mod, Tecsun PL 660; 40 meters dipole, RF Systems Mk 2, Flextenna, NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

?? Voice of China name (translated) is typically used by the ChiCom, not by Taiwan. Anker Petersen likes to refer to it that way rather than as CNR1 (gh, DXLD)

** TAJIKISTAN. 14295 harmonic, Tajik Radio Home Service. Already regularly observed 3rd harmonic of 4765, on 8/2 at 0515 with comment in Russian (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF 2001D, folded Marconi antenna 16m, March Australian DX News via DXLD)

** TIBET [non]. Frequency changes of Voice of Tibet:
1215-1230 NF 15537 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 15548
1245-1300 NF 15562 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15563
1300-1315 NF 15568 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15563
1330-1400 NF 15567 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15568
All frequencies are jammed by China on xxxx0 / xxxx5
Changes between frequencies vary from 3 to 5 minutes
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/frequency-changes-of-voice-of-tibet.html
(Ivo Ivanov, March 2, dxldyg via DXLD)

15525, March 2 at 1507, V. of Tibet via MADAGASCAR is still jumping up 5 to 15530, vs ChiCom jamming which I can`t hear here before or after on either.

15525, March 3 at 1408, CNR1 jammer // 9530, poor until cutoff at 1410.4*. Meanwhile, target V. of Tibet via MADAGASCAR is already on 15530, presumably having jumped as usual at 1407 from initial 15525. After CNR1 cutoff, not heard on 15530 either, still VOT in clear; gave up? At 1422 I hear a Chinese ``guanbo diantai`` ID on 15530, apparently interjected by VOT, since not // CNR1 15745 jammer, then back to Tibetan. Music at 1426 with non-Chinese announcement, more music until cut off at 1427:45* (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TROMELIN. FT4TA STORY AND BOOK. Sebastien, F5UFX, reports -- Dear friends, Our emissions from Tromelin stopped a few months ago. Since, we have been very busy by many subjects. You undoubtedly read the news of our QSL cards (in progress), our equipment boxes are on the way back, we have been able to debrief on several occasions with the TAAF.

We are happy to show you today the complete report of our expedition.

For each operation, stories are very often quite similar. It is difficult in a few lines not to be limited to the banalities of the antenna setup, the conditions of propagation, and some statistics. We choose to write a report which would tell in details all that one would like to know in connection with such adventure: the ´ behind the scenes" of FT4TA!

In these days with of DQRM [deliberate interference - jamming], anonymous and nasty comments, it does not exist a better answer than explaining, and try to sensitize, show the work done for a so ambitious project.

For the others, a large majority, organizers of expeditions themselves, those who would like to start a project, or DX lovers, let us hope that our story will make you dream.

Please follow the link bellow to consult the online book of FT4TA:
French version: http://blur.by/1KGFCIT
English version: http://blur.by/1LziqfS
It is also possible to order the ´ printed ª version. This communication will probably be one of the last for this project. Thanks again for your support and see you soon for new adventures. FT4TA TEAM (via Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1204, March 2, 2015, Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio) via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)

** TURKEY. 15350, (Presumed), Voice of Turkey, 3/1, 1150. Guitar and ME vocal music. Fair/Good. Presumed as I have only this listed and ID at ToH not clearly heard. Was nice to hear some higher bands active this morning. 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, HQ-200 & Slinky, Grundig Satellit 750, Drake R8, random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UKRAINE. RRT GenDir - Feb 20. The Director General of the network operator RRT has been dismissed by the Council of Ministers and was replaced. The first priority is to ensure the broadcast of national Ukraine TV / radio programs in the separatist area regions. <http://mediasat.info/2015/02/16/aleksandr-pivnyuk/>

Best regards. S.S., Vatican Radio, Frequency Management, Direzione Tecnica Gestione Frequenze (Feb 26 via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 27 via DXLD)

** U S A. 13565.0, March 2 at 1506, JBA CW beacon K6FRC, frequency matched to a weak broadcaster on 9565. This is in Patterson CA, heard several times before. But gone at 1507. In regular chex of the 13550-13570 HIFER band, I have ever only heard this and five other stations, AJO, AZ, GNK, MTI and SZX. This listing, updated 24 Feb 2015, shows 13 others, mostly around 13555:
http://www.lwca.org/sitepage/part15/index.htm
I wonder how many of those are really active, maybe only sporadically (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 25990, KLDE ñ Ed Dorado, TX, 2046-2106, Mar 1. Latin music programming, announcements noted // 25910 which was slightly better. This was generally poor although there were some clear ìfairî peaks (Rich D'Angelo, 2216 Burkey Drive, Wyomissing, PA 19610, Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R-8B, Eton E1, Eton E5, Alpha Delta DX Sloper, RF Systems Mini-Windom, Datong FL3, JPS ANC-4, NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

** U S A. STATEMENT FROM BBG ON CEO AND DIRECTOR ANDREW LACK
To view this online visit http://www.bbg.gov/?p=21037
Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG)
Statement from BBG on CEO and Director Andrew Lack March 4, 2015
The Broadcasting Board of Governors announced today that CEO and Director Andrew Lack will be departing the agency.

The agency will now begin work to attract an equally talented executive to help continue to transform our agency.

Andrew Lack was a strong choice to serve as the BBG's first CEO and Director. He has a passion for our work, appreciation for our history and understanding of the importance of our mission.

Over the last 18 months, under the leadership of a highly accomplished media executive Jeff Shell and his fellow board members, the agency has addressed fundamental challenges and made a significant turnaround.

Noteworthy achievements include:

Streamlining structure to handle Board business, to focus on core issues of strategic concern and to address underlying inefficiencies;
Driving the news agenda in places where free expression is restricted, including audience gains in China (+2M), Iran (+2.1M), Russia (+1.6M) and Cambodia (+700K);
Countering extremism with key investments to increase unbiased

news and information with 43.9% of adults in Iraq consuming BBG content on a weekly basis

Transitioning to a new contract management system to dramatically increase efficiencies and be a better business partner;

Expanding distribution on a network of FM stations, digital platforms and satellite TV - media platforms many audiences prefer resulting in an all-time high audience of 215 million people in 2014;

Moving to an open-space office design saving $2.6 million in rental costs while improving workplace technology and flexibility; and

Improving transparency and coordination with BBG-sponsored networks.

With this strong foundation from which to move forward, the agency has never been on a better footing to accomplish our mission.

The Broadcasting Board of Governors now has a cohesive governing board, made up of media and communications industry leaders, and foreign policy experts, who will continue to lead the agency at this time of pressing need.

BBG's Director of Global Operations AndrÈ Mendes will serve as interim CEO and Director while a search is conducted for Lack's replacement. He will be supported by a strong team including Robert Bole, Director of Global Strategy and Suzie Carroll, Executive Director.

We will benefit from Andy's observations and thoughts, based on his time with us, on how to move the agency forward as a world-class multimedia news organization.

The Board is consulting now on next steps to fill the CEO vacancy and has great confidence in the current management of BBG who, along with all the talented employees at the agency, have done a tremendous amount to achieve our goals.

(via John Figliozzi, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

Well, that was quick (Figliozzi, ibid.) Here`s why: better offer:

ANDREW LACK LEAVES BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS AFTER 6 WEEKS
By RON NIXON March 4, 2015 New York Times
http://mobile.nytimes.com/2015/03/05/us/andrew-lack-leaves-broadcasting-board-of-governors-after-6-weeks.html

WASHINGTON -- Andrew Lack is leaving his position as chief executive of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, the agency announced on Wednesday, one day after it was reported that he was in advanced discussions to return to NBC to lead its news operations.

In a statement, the agency said that Andre Mendes, the Broadcasting Board of Governors' director of global operations, would become the interim chief executive immediately. The board, which oversees United States government-supported international news media like Voice of America and Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, is scheduled to meet on Friday to begin looking for a successor to Mr. Lack.

Employees and former employees of the board, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said staff members had been caught off guard by the departure of Mr. Lack. Many believed he possessed the clout and experience to help the agency find its footing in the increasingly crowded field of government-sponsored international broadcasting.

Mr. Lack is known for having rebuilt NBC News and modernized the presentation of television news as president of the unit from 1993 to 2001. He also held top positions at Sony Music Entertainment and the Bloomberg Media Group.

Andrew Lack, shown in 2010, was president of NBC News from 1993 until 2001. [caption] Phil McCarten / Reuters

His expected return to NBC is part of a broader management shake-up expected at the group after the Brian Williams controversy and other management missteps.

When Mr. Lack was sworn in in January as the chief executive of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, the move was widely hailed as a major coup for the agency.

"Andy Lack is the perfect person for the position, given his background as a journalist who has run several major media organizations," Jeffrey Shell, an NBC executive and chairman of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, said in an interview at the time.

But his abrupt departure becomes the latest in a series of problems at the agency.

Critics have long accused it of floundering while other countries have built competing international media outlets. BBG Watch, a blog that is written in part by current and former agency personnel, has said that the agency's coverage of major news events is mediocre at best.

Frustrated by what they called a lack of support for United States government policies abroad, members of the House of Representatives passed a bill last year intended to clarify the mission of the Voice of America. The bill is expected to be introduced again because it has bipartisan support.

The bill would revise the news service's mission statement to specify that it has a role in supporting American "public diplomacy" and policies. The move set off a revolt among staff members, who said the change would affect their editorial independence.

Related Coverage
1. [LINK] NBC News Is Said to Woo Former Chief to Return Mar 3, 2015 (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

CUSIB PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE March 04, 2015
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CUSIB Disappointed to See Andy Lack Depart from the BBG

The Committee for U.S. International Broadcasting
http://www.cusib.org
has released the following statement about the departure of the Broadcasting Board of Governorsís CEO Andy Lack:

ìWe are deeply disappointed that Andy Lack, the Broadcasting Board of Governorís very first CEO, will no longer serve the agency and American taxpayers. We are disappointed that he wonít be at the helm of a U.S. government agency that has many successes, but also many management problems, particularly at its federal level. Millions of people globally depend upon the agencyís media outlets for uncensored news and information.

We greatly appreciate the time that both Mr. Lack and BBG Chairman Jeff Shell shared with CUSIB members. They both put in a great deal effort to understand the many serious challenges that face BBG, as did other currently-serving BBG Governors.

We want to express our full support for Chairman Shell and the rest of the BBG Board at this difficult time for the Broadcasting Board of Governors, and particularly for the agencyís employees. We are encouraged by promises of management and program content reforms made by Chairman Shell and Governor Kenneth Weinstein at todayís meeting with BBG staff.

We are hopeful that members of Congress will pass a new and improved legislation to streamline the agency and to make its senior executive force smaller and more accountable to the bipartisan BBG Board and to American taxpayers.

CUSIB welcomes AndrÈ Mendes who will serve as the BBGís Interim CEO, and we look forward to meeting with him in the near future.

We wish Mr. Lack success in his new endeavors and are confident that

in his private sector role he will continue to promote the importance of the BBGís mission.î

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** U S A. 15580, BOTSWANA, VoA, 2/28, 2100. News and pop/rock program after. Excellent reception even on the modest portables. Good armchair current events station. 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, HQ-200 & Slinky, Grundig Satellit 750, Drake R8, random wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Sorry to disillusion you, but it`s Greenville, off the back, during this hour only (gh)

** U S A. Here is the lineup for VOA Radiogram, program 100(!), 28 February-1 March 2015, all in MFSK32, except where indicated:
 1:59 Program preview
 3:01 Cheaper method of scrap metal separation*
 8:51 University students analyze Russia's RT TV*
17:10 Kim's comments about two years of VOA Radiogram*
<===== received txt   ====> voice-modul ===> audio***
26:39 Closing announcements*
28:26 MFSK16: Bonus mode of the week

http://www.rhci-online.de/files/
2015-02-28_Kim%27s_comments_about_two_years_of_VOA_Radiogram.mp3
txt [5,8 kb / ultra7z-compressed 2,8 kb]   ========>   voice-modul
======> Audio [22kHz sampling, 56kb mp3] ~2,7 MB, 6min 29s
(The quality of voice is now dependent on the text-to-speech module)

#100 - congratulations!!!
http://www.rhci-online.de/VoA_Radiogram_2015-02-28.htm
(Roger, Germany, dxldyg via DXLD)

15570, March 4 at 2052, big open carrier, no doubt Greenville warming up for 2100 English broadcast on 15580, in order not to interfere with another VOA site using it until 2100 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1860/AM, WA0RCR with ham radio news from ARRL. ID at 0423 and then into WOR with Glenn Hauser. More ID's at 0434 & 0344 (got

to ID every 10 minutes) and mention of relay from WRMI's 9395 as their source. [I'd suggest they take the feed from the internet for a better feed source.] Hauser mentioned myself and Ken Zichi about logs we had in a prior MARE Tipsheet. WOR ended at 0452, ID for station and net and then into another amateur radio show about status of CQ magazine empire. Fair to poor. 2/22 (Don Hosmer, West Branch MI, MARE Tipsheet Feb 27 via DXLD) I'm not exactly sure why this isn't considered a broadcast station, but - kvz (Ken Zichi, ed., ibid.) Because it`s ham?

WORLD OF RADIO 1762 monitoring: confirmed UT Friday Feb 27 at 0001:10 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395. Next:
Fri 2130 on WRMI 7570 & 15770
Sat 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB
Sat 1000 on WRMI 5850
Sat 2030v on WA0RCR 1860-AM Gateway 160 Meter Radio Newsletter, MO NEW
Sun 0231 on KVOH 9975
Sun 0415v on WA0RCR 1860-AM Gateway 160 Meter Radio Newsletter, MO NEW
Sun 2300 on WRMI 11580
Mon 0400v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v
Mon 2201 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395
Tue 1200 on WRMI 9955
Wed 0401 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395
Wed 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB
Wed 1415 on WRMI 9955
Wed 2200 on WBCQ 7490v
Wed 2201 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395

WORLD OF RADIO 1762 monitoring: confirmed Friday Feb 27 at 2130:36, sufficient on WRMI 7570 & 15770; currently the two are about equal here, the former aimed this way but somewhat absorbed, the latter aimed ~90 degrees away but not so absorbed. Next:

Sat 2030v on WA0RCR 1860-AM Gateway 160 Meter Radio Newsletter, MO NEW
Sun 0231 on KVOH 9975
Sun 0415v on WA0RCR 1860-AM Gateway 160 Meter Radio Newsletter, MO NEW
Sun 2300 on WRMI 11580
Mon 0400v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v
Mon 2201 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395
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Wed 0401 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395
Wed 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB
Wed 1415 on WRMI 9955
Wed 2200 on WBCQ 7490v
Wed 2201 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395

WORLD OF RADIO 1762 monitoring: confirmed UT Sunday March 1 from 0230 on KVOH 9975, now following the 0130 sacred soccer show and starting at 0230 instead of 0231.

WOR 1762 also confirmed on WA0RCR, 1860-AM, Wentzville MO, again this UT Sunday March 1 from 0424, 9 minutes after nominal 0415, which I suppose is the earliest it might start some weeks, depending on length of previous segments. Once you hear when the ARRL news starts, circa 0410 tonight, you know it`ll be another ~14 minutes before WOR. Vern has edited out the few seconds of WOR theme when I am not talking over it, to make the music ``incidental``. He also must interject WA0RCR IDs at 10-minute intervals, 0435 and 0445.

Adjacent LSB ham QRM is almost constant, due to a 160m contest underway which fills up the 200-kHz span; normally the other hams keep far enough away from this 375-watt AM signal. Once local noise sources are minimized, it`s quite listenable here with occasional fade-downs. Unlike almost every other MW broadcast frequency, there are no subaudible hets from other transmitters making a mess of non-propagational fading, altho at one point I had some weak co-channel, maybe Spanish SSB from Mexico? Next:

Sun 2300 on WRMI 11580
Mon 0400v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v
Mon 2201 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395
Tue 1200 on WRMI 9955
Wed 0401 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395
Wed 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB
Wed 1415 on WRMI 9955
Wed 2200 on WBCQ 7490v
Wed 2201 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395

WORLD OF RADIO 1762 monitoring: confirmed on WRMI 11580, Sunday March 1 at 2300. Also confirmed on webcast of Area 51, UT Monday March 2 at 0401, presumably also on WBCQ 5110v. Next:

Mon 2201 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395
Tue 1200 on WRMI 9955
Wed 0401 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395
Wed 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB
Wed 1415 on WRMI 9955
Wed 2200 on WBCQ 7490v
Wed 2201 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395

WORLD OF RADIO 1762 monitoring: confirmed Monday March 2 at 2201 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395. Next:
Wed 0401 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395
Wed 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB
Wed 1415 on WRMI 9955
Wed 2200 on WBCQ 7490v
Wed 2201 on Global 24 via WRMI 9395

WORLD OF RADIO 1762 monitoring: confirmed UT Wednesday March 4 at 0401 on Global 24 webcast, but no longer on WRMI 9395, so that removes some more SW opportunities to hear WOR! But still confirmed Wednesday March 4 at 1415 on WRMI itself, 9955; no jamming. Next:
Wed 2200 on WBCQ 7490v
Wed 2201 on Global 24 webcast?

http://67.239.246.10:8000
Since the webcast was also set up in conjunxion with WRMI, unclear whether this will remain. No --- it`s gone too: After 1900 March 4 I am hearing unfamiliar songs in English, then French, rather than Polish Radio on G24 sked. It`s the same music as on 9955 WRMI stream during the daytime when SW is off the air, probably RFI-Musique; yes, ID as such at 1912.

WORLD OF RADIO 1762 monitoring: confirmed on WRMI 9955, UT Thursday March 5 at 0431, final repeat

WORLD OF RADIO 1763 monitoring: confirmed first airing on WRMI 9955, Thursday March 5 at 1330, good with no jamming; next:
Fri 2130 on WRMI 7570 & 15770
Sat 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB
Sat 1000 on WRMI 5850
Sat 2030v on WA0RCR 1860-AM Gateway 160 Meter Radio Newsletter, MO
Sun 0415v on WA0RCR 1860-AM Gateway 160 Meter Radio Newsletter, MO
Sun 2300 on WRMI 11580

[USA DST shifts now in effect!:]
Mon 0300v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v
Tue 1100 on WRMI 9955
Wed 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB
Wed 1315 on WRMI 9955
Wed 2100 on WBCQ 7490v

Our schedule has now been updated for DST season:
http://www.worldofradio.com/radioskd.html

As chances to hear WOR on SW are reduced, I suggest you may want to subscribe to a podcast: three different sources are linked atop
http://www.worldofradio.com
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9395, Global 24, Okeechobee. Very poor in English at 2148 on 4/2 (John Adams, Beech Forest, Vic, JRC NRD-535, EWE antenna, March Australian DX News via DXLD)

same --- Music programming with no announcements from 1015 to past

1045 with Bach's Air in G, Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture and other classical items. Poor signal on 19/2.

They are branding themselves as a global SW station. But for most of the 24 hours we rarely hear them at Mount Evelyn. Rather than being stuck on 9395 all day, it's a pity they can't be frequency agile and adapt to changing propagation conditions. I know they are not interested in transmitting to all three of us listeners in Australia, but if they targeted different parts of the world on a variety of frequencies, we might have a hope of hearing at least one or two transmissions at a reasonable level (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic, Yaesu FT DX 3000, Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu FRG100, Double Bazooka antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD)

I`ve looked over your website and facebook and don`t see anything about your tests via Bulgaria. How to you expect to get decent response with no publicity? Or was it all a mistake? But it has been covered by DX Re Mix News, FYI:

SECRETLAND(non) Global 24 Music and EU News Network, instead of TOM on Feb. 5: 1345-1500 on 11600*SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu Global 24 Music, instead of TOM 1500-1515 on 11600 SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu EU News Network, instead of TOM 1515-1550 on 11600 SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu English TOM, as scheduled B-14:
*not parallel 9395 YFR 100 kW / 355 deg to ENAm English Global 24 of Okeechobee
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/global-24-music-and-eu-news-network.html
Since then this frequency has been carrying Overcomer mixed with EU News Network`` (via Glenn Hauser to Phil Workman, Feb 13, via DXLD)

Glenn, Sorry I've been on vacation. We ran no tests via Bulgaria --- not us (Phil Workman, Global 24, Feb 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9395, Thu Feb 26 at 2156, Global 24 via WRMI, `Dialogos Greece` says it is about to finish, with a final musical selexion. So this week not running over an hour; 2200 no ID but change to waltz theme and opening European News Network, no evergreen but a new one leading with this week`s suicide bombing in Kano (did he say Europe??). G24 program grid continues to allege that WORLD OF RADIO is aired at this time, as indeed it was until Feb.

9395, Feb 27 at 1520, Global 24 via WRMI apparently just finished an unscheduled European News Net airing with their waltz theme, into survivalist commercial. This is during the 14-16 Friday period when `Jazz from the Left` is supposed to appear. See also KOREA SOUTH [non] (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Global24 bit the dust? Today at 0000Z Global24 on 9395 kHz went off the air and some time later a religious station took the spot (Art, VE7WAE, Witmans, Canada, 0153 UT March 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Jeff, How come TruNews is on 9395, as well as 5850, 7455? At 0217 UT check, after someone reported it had been that way since 0000 [sic]. Global 24 programming appears normal on its webcast, British media show `Frequency Cast` until 0230 [then FSN News, RAIN Report, 0300+ DX Extra from HRI, 0330 Wavescan, 0401 World of Radio] (Glenn to Jeff White, via DXLD)

Earlier today, March 3 at 2105-2130+, Global 24`s well-worn variety of fill music was playing on 9395, altho not very unusual (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) i.e. Bach, classical piano, rock, RESPECT, Mrs Robinson. No reply from Jeff, but:

Global 24 is no longer affiliated with Radio Miami International Also! There was no carrier between 0000 and 0100 to separate the two. True News will now air 24 hrs a day on 9395 khz (Terry Elders, Facility Manager, WRMI, 0230 UT March 4, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9395 may replace 5015 which had been scheduled 01-07, as I was not hearing it after 0600. As of 1740 UT March 4, WRMI frequency grid not updated to show any of this (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Phil: Very sorry to learn that time has run out for G24 on WRMI! I hope you will be able to continue somehow, somewhere. Meanwhile, your webcast is running nicely and 100% audible. Please let us know what your plans are now.

Without the least knowledge of your financial situation, other than what appears to be obvious, I would like to offer some suggestions/advice:

You have a very good idea, something that rational SW Listeners have been craving for years. (Tho paying for it may be another matter).

Forget the 24/7 thing, and for that matter the Global coverage, which wasn`t really achieved on WRMI. (This might require a name change!)

Pare down to some of your best and most profitable (?) programs, cut back to maybe 4-6-8 hours an evening, on some other SW station you might be able to afford.

WBCQ comes to mind right there in Maine. They should have plenty of airtime (at least once they get their transmitters fixed/replaced). I

should think your kind of thing would appeal to Allan Weiner.

I would recommend 9330 kHz (currently off the air), for best coverage (and presumably full availability, unless someone beats you to it if and when it`s ready to resume). Best wishes, (Glenn to Phil Workman, via DXLD) No reply yet

Global 24, 5 minutes ago on Twitter and Facebook:
"We hope to be back on the air soon and on a new frequency as well."
(via Mike Barraclough, 1721 UT March 4, dxldyg via DXLD)

Hello Glenn, At 0400 UT had ID of Radio Paradise via WRMI on 9395 and then TruNews program; they said Radio Paradise was on 5850, 7455 and 9395. Strong signal into Montreal on Tecsun PL-600 receiver and Telescopic antenna. 73 (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada, March 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Interesting, but 9395 at 0551 on the west coast is far stronger than Global 24 ever was. Is it just a good evening, or is it a different transmitter/antenna arrangement. Pretty armchair copy. I wish that Global 24 had the same reach :-((Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

Do we have any further details as to what happened specifically? Impaired cash flow? Bad frequency planning catch them in the end? Even when people depart the sort of federal agencies that Dr. Elliott and I work for you'd normally hear at least a couple more details (Stephen Michael Kellat, March 3, dxldyg via DXLD)

These are private businesses, so they don`t have to tell us (gh, DXLD)

When Global 24 went on the air four months ago, it was noted that a month of 24/7 airtime on a single transmitter of WRMI would cost around $45,000, using the lowest stated hourly rate on the WRMI website. I don't see where they would get the money for that. I strongly doubt that any of the international broadcasters carried by Global 24 were paying for the time, and there were only scattered advertisements.

I think Global 24 greatly misjudged the income potential of its business model, and quickly ran out of money. Advertisers want sizable and quantifiable audiences, something that is hard to do on shortwave. Relying on listener donations won't work either, when most of the program material is available through other platforms. Reception of the 9395 signal outside of its main beam was poor to nonexistent during much of the day and night, so there was poor frequency management.

It appears they simply didn't understand the shortwave medium from a

commercial business standpoint.

Ironically, 9395 with TruNews is putting in a fairly good signal at my QTH at a 0555 check March 4. Are they still on the same 355 degree beam or was that changed along with the programming? (Stephen Luce, Houston, Texas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I got the impression that the Global24 management was a group of nicely intentioned people; but a little inept when it came to actually keeping the place operating. Their schedule was never something you could count on. It would change from day to day; and in the age of internet and websites, they weren't even able to keep the online schedule updated.

I wrote them a couple of emails with questions about a program and the schedule: no response. Nada. The programs look like it was a vanity project for someone. I would love to know who was involved, and whose passion fueled this whole endeavor. B Posted by: ("B-T-M", dxldyg via DXLD)

I responded to a question the other day about Global24 and indicated they were supposedly on 9395 24/7. In opening up the digest of DXLD this morning it was thought that Global24 had bit the dust. What I found at 1105 on 9395 this morning was an ID for WRMI, and then into Radio Paradise religious program (Steve Lare, Holland, MI, March 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

From G24 Website March 5:

Friends, First, thank you to the many of you that financially supported us. We are hoping to make a comeback in a new, streamlined form later in March. We understand that, in some cases, we didnít keep our promises on the newsletters and the like. It should go with out saying, weíre very sorry if weíve let you down.

If youíre looking for a refund of any sponsorship money given to Global 24 and would rather ìpull outî than wait and see what happens. Let us know in an email to qsls@global24radio.com and we can begin to explore what, if anything, that might look like.

Of course, weíd rather count on your support as we try and put this back together ñ but either way ñ we understand. Regards, G24
- See more at: http://about.global24radio.com/#sthash.C35O6VEV.dpuf

From G24 on Facebook March 5:

We will have some announcements in the next week or two regarding our plans moving forward. Thank you to our loyal supporters - we intend to

post a full analysis of Global 24 in the near future.

Global 24's Most Popular Programs (based on several factors - including web pages views, emails & reception report mentions)

1) The Rock Pile
2) World of Radio
3) Radio France International
4) Democracy Now!
5) Happy Station Show
6) Wavescan

What do you think? What programs should be part of a new schedule?

Replies:

Chelmsford Calling World Service: Just want to wish you all the best for your future plans. I'm obviously very grateful to you for relaying my 'Chelmsford Calling World Service' programme & hope you can return. The variety of programmes you play is excellent & mixes well. I fully understand the difficulty in running such a service so just want you to know there are many who support you - in spirit if not able to financially. Good luck.

Tim Chapman: Best format on SW. Hope you get back on. Frequency was hit or miss here in S E Louisiana. Good luck. KK5VL

Nelson Ogden: Yay, I'll be glad to hear G24 back on the air. I've loved your programming so far! Wavescan, WOR, RAIN, Rock Pile, Upstate Radio Theater are my favorites.

Kurt Parker: SW is, unfortunately, a dying medium. I give you guys a ton of respect for trying to make it work. I hope you're able to get everything going again and succeed in the future! (FB via gh, DXLD)

The e-mail address for refunds didn't work for QSLs so don't be expecting anything too quickly if you should ask for a refund. I suspect Global 24 may be negotiating with Jeff White about finances and maybe to get a higher frequency in either the 25 or 19 meter bands for the spring and summer months. I am not expecting them to return - I never expected them to launch in the first place - but you just never know. 73, (Rich d`Angelo, March 6, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** U S A. Wrong connection via WRMI#7 was observed on Feb 26 - Brother Stair TOM from 1400 on 17790 YFR 100 kW / 087 deg to NCAf English, instead of R. Africa

// 15770 YFR 100 kW / 044 deg to WeEu English Brother Stair, videos

http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/usa-wrong-connection-via-wrmi7-was.html

from 1600 on 17790 YFR 100 kW / 087 deg to NCAf English R. Africa as scheduled
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/usa-wrong-connection-via-wrmi7-was.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DXLD) See also EQUATORIAL GUINEA [non]

17790, Feb 27 at 1414, gospel music and not // 15770 or other Overcomer frequencies, so Radio Africa Network via WRMI is back, after a bihour of BS yesterday (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Some changes of WRMI Okeechobee:
Test transmissions of Radio Taiwan International on March 5-7
0200-0300 on 11920 YFR 100 kW / 140 deg to SoAm Spanish tx#02

Global 24 Radio, cancelled from March 3
0000-2400 on 9395 YFR 100 kW / 355 deg to ENAm English tx#06

TruNews and Radio Paradise from March 3
0000-2400 on 9395 YFR 100 kW / 355 deg to ENAm English tx#06
Good reception here will be available after 2115 until 0400UT
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/some-changes-of-wrmi-okeechobee.html
(Ivo Ivanov, March 4, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. 7570, Feb 28 at 0300, as per a little previous publicity, WRMI cuts away from Brother Scare for a special live broadcast hosted by David Goren from the SWL Winterfest in PA, `Shortwave Shindig`. Live except for several clip segments, starting with a mÈlange of archive SW IDs and ISes; finally 0306 opening claims to be on ``7575 kHz``; and elevators in hotel are not working so everyone is getting lots of exercise on the stairs. Jeff White has donated the airtime, so he`s interviewed (not there, as he was at Okeechobee to be sure all the connexions were properly made), saying 13 of the 14 transmitters are now in use, and hope the last one will be later this year. Airtime adds up to about 200 hours per day, fluxuating.

How is Global 24 doing? Jeff says maybe they underestimated what they were getting into with a 24/7 service, rather than their initial idea, 2 or 3 half-hour ham radio programs, but he`s helping them out as much as possible and hopes G24 succeeds, as it`s something he himself had always wanted to do. After a bit of music, at 0318 more from Jeff, this time describing the site on a cattle ranch, to the accompaniment of moos (nothing heard from gators who also live next to the building).

0321 a segment of a variety of people describing how they got into SWLing as children, in several cases tnx to parents who worked in

electronix bringing home radios for them. Jim Strader was first; not all were identified, but we certainly recognized Marie Lamb. Everything stops at 0348 when the modulation goes dead, finally back up at 0352 with music, 0359 ``Grayline Fever`` song about DXing, past 0400, performance attributed to Saul Broudy [W3WHK]. Announcement that show will stay on past 0400 due to the previous outage. Then Spectral Wars by Tom Miller; a Bob & Ray routine; 0414 `Grayline Fever` performed again by Saul Broudy and Jack Widner. Goren wraps it up with referral to 162.244.80.21:8940/listen.pls for continued listening. I was getting it then only with some music, labeled SWL Fest.

0419 jarring rejoin to Brother Scare amid something about a ``black boy``. Signal thruout was VG as it is for BS, presumably staying on the NW 315 degree beam which ought to be used for all other secular RMI programming (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn: Thanks for the great report! Give me your snail mail address and I'll send you a QSL card...(in a month or so...) PS: we're likely going to rebroadcast the program in the coming weeks. I'll let you know the details when I have them (David Goren, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn: WRMI is going to rebroadcast The Shortwave Shindig on Saturday 3/7 10-11pm/Sunday 3/8 0300-0400 on 7570. 73, (David Goren, March 4, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Excellent reception at 0325 tune-in on 7570 on the west coast. I agree with Glenn that they never seem to give any advanced indication of these special broadcasts. 73 (Walt Salmaniw, BC, March 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. Glenn, Just to let you know we have schedule a special two hour program on March 14th from 2300 to 0100 (15th) UT on 7570 kHz. March 15th is the 6th anniversary of Happy Station returning and the founding of PCJ. As for the content. No idea yet. K (Keith Perron, Taiwan, WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7455, WRMI, TruNews program, underneath heard, totally covered by a co-channel powerful RTTY ute station, S=9+15dB; reception of Okeechobee outlet is not on usable level here in Europe. 0429 UT March 1 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 17775, Feb 27 at 1414, KVOH signal has built up to day level earlier than usual, but correlates with earlying sunrises and westward ionization. However, from March 8 it will no doubt start signing on an hour earlier at 1300, putting it back into the dark zone for starters (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Glenn, Effective immediately, we are canceling your broadcast on

KVOH. If you would like to talk about our reasons for this decision, I would be happy to receive your telephone call (John Tayloe, President, Strategic Communications Group/KVOH, March 2, to gh, via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

** U S A. 7490-v, Feb 27 at 0159, WBCQ with talk show in English going into a break, throws in some Hebrew expressions, phone 845-345-1010, but just as I anticipated, he`s cut off for canned ID in time to join Brother Hystairical in progress at 0200, who takes priority over everything. Yes, it was Rabbi Yaakov Spivak, as now sked UT Tue thru Fri at 01-02. I wonder what his show is about.

7490, Feb 28 at 0120, WBCQ with `Allan Weiner Worldwide`. I think it`s // 5110, but AW is saying he forgot that a live feed from the Winter SWL Fest was planned, so after phoning master control, now 5110 splits away for that while he continues on 7490.

5110, Feb 28 at 0125, Larry Will and guests with informal chat from the SWL Winterfest in PA, mixed with music such as ``Stair`s Way to Heaven``, har har. At 0208 & 0241 rechex segments (repeated?) about Edward Snowden, presumably now amid the scheduled 02-03 UT Sat program `WAZU` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5108.268, odd frequency channel transmission of tentative WBCQ at 0420 UT March 1, S=9+15dB signal here in southern Germany. US Big Orchestra music followed by a female voice singer, like Mariah Carey or Whitney Houston kind.

Nothing heard on 7490 kHz WBCQ channel at 0430 UT March 1. Empty (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST) That was an hour when it was scheduled to be on the air 7-daily (gh, DXLD)

I AM MOVED --- It`s Fred Jodry. Much to the relief of my immediate friends I have moved address to a nearby location. Having no money to spare momentarily and no shortwave too brings on the Allan Weiner question, Has shortwave made a difference for you? The answer is yes, and the pangs of guilt I feel at suddenly having no spare money to make any contributions to anybody is quite a frog in my throat. I just have to close my eyes and hear the Lucas and Jessica show on Marion`s Attic, or maybe more guests than that, and Timtron and Marc/e, and Rich Conaty competing nicely on FM instead, and so on. I hope that my friends are digging into their pockets to fill my void. Nature abhors a vacuum, and governments? Oh PU. I wait for the snow to melt to make work and moving again a better possibility. Lucas... Jessica... Bill... Judy... Sandy... Ross... Baron... Bob in Pottstown... Sigh! (Fred Jodry, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7505.35 approx., Feb 27 at 0157, WRNO is on before nominal

*0200, as a program from Crosslinechurch.com is concluding. VG signal and VG modulation too! Now if they can only keep that up, and we`ll try to overlook being so far off-frequency. After 0214 when I am measuring the frequency, YL DJ claims twice to be on ``7.505``. Hey, wouldn`t it be neat if once, just once, some off-frequency SW station announced its real exact frequency?! DHYB; ignorance is bliss (and deniable). (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7505.317, Nice version of a modern "hallelujah, hallelujah..." song, at 0435 UT March 1, WRNO program of surprisingly strong S=9+15dB signal level here in Germany (Wolfgang B˛schel, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9265, Feb 27 at 1519, no signal from WINB. Only a biweek ago did they start broadcasting weekdays as early as 1400, with `Manning Report`. Aha, a new sked dated March 1 has already been posted at http://www.winb.com/schedule.htm
showing weekday start is now 1600, with `Classic Redneck Radio`, so Manning sure didn`t last long --- found coverage was inadequate? What was it about? What else but, as described in Wikipedia: ``Through the ATLAH church, Manning hosts an online series called The Manning Report, which features criticism on such topics as the negative influence of black celebrities, homosexuality and the alleged criminal acts of current U.S. President Barack Obama.``

`TruNews` M-F at 19-20 is also gone, replaced by `Voice of Evangelism`. No doubt there are further changes amongst all the gospel huxters. Saturday start is now 1500; Sunday 1230. Listened online to a minute of `Redneck` Feb 27 at 1652 --- it`s talk about survivalism, stockpiling food so you don`t have to eat slugs out in the field! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 5085, WTWW pop music at 0408 UT March 1. Hillbilly Country music, S=9+15dB here in southern Germany. BUT very annoying audio interference of a whistle whine sound on exact 5084.624 kHz next door (Wolfgang B˛schel, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12105, March 4 at 2102, WTWW-3 is unusually on the air, with Bibling in Brazuguese; no 9930 but 9475 also on (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 15040, WWCR/WHRI(?), 0129-0135 21 Feb. 2nd harmonic of 7520 heard very weakly with WWCR ID, request for reports and into "Unshackled". Aoki shows WWCR on 7520 at 00-01, 02-03 & WHRI 01-02, so perhaps a schedule mix-up? (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA, G5/PL606 + 6m X wire via Bob Wilkner, DXLD)

** U S A. 15550, WJHR, Milton FL. American preaching with a somewhat

demented style at 2118. About S2 on the meter but quite copyable in USB on Feb 6 (Rob Wagner, VK3BVW, Mount Evelyn Vic, Yaesu FT DX 3000, Kenwood TS2000, Yaesu FRG100, Double Bazooka antennas for 80 & 40 m, Par EF-SWL Endfed antenna, BHI NEIM1031 Digital Noise Eliminating, MFJ-1026 Noise Cancelling, ATU, Mar Australian DXN via DXLD)

Demented? Sorry, but Dr. Demento has removed the sting from that as an epithet (gh, DXLD)

Start of transmission of WJHR Radio International on Feb 24:
from 1403 on 15550 JHR 050 kW / 005 deg to NWAm English USB, video
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/reception-of-wjhr-radio-international.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #898 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, March 2, 2015 via DXLD)

** U S A. 640, KFI Photos: see PUBLICATIONS

** U S A. 720, March 3 at 1316 UT, weak Spanish station instead of WGN; phone 618-5921, not certain. Call-in with host asking each, ``øquÈ necesita Vd. esta maÒana?`` but couldn`t copy the replies; wish list for the disadvantaged? Some music earlier and mixed in, 1320 UT music only; 1324 UT adstring including 379-0437, for an abogado; think I heard an AC 210; Ford dealer in dÛlares; briefly WGN CCI makes a last gasp. 1328 UT, ID with an FM, ``la estaciÛn de la raza``. These clues point to a US, not Mexican source, which would have to be KSAH Universal City (San Antonio) TX, which is supposedly with ESPN Deportes, but nothing about sports now: maybe still does local morning general call-in show? Googling on the Raza slogan with 720 leads right to KSAH, also FM 104.1, as here:
https://es-es.facebook.com/Norteno1041
ESPN Deportes affiliate list as of 5 Feb, however, still has KSAH 720
http://espndeportes.espn.go.com/news/story/_/id/226774/lista-de-afiliados
If it led to Mexico, the candidates would have been XEDE Saltillo and XEJCC Ciudad Ju·rez. DF was closer to SSW = San Antonio & Saltillo
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 750, Feb 26 at 1322 UT, talk in English from ENE/WSW, which rules out KAMA, much wanted Okie KSEO, KMMJ, nor even WSB this late, tho the Chicagoans are still in such as 780 vs KSPI. That leaves KBNN Lebanon MO, 5 kW daytimer, which I also presumably logged on Feb 14 last year around the same time. 1323 UT this year goes on to discuss Led Zeppelin (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 860, Feb 26 at 1331 UT, KKOW Pittsburg KS is finishing the ``Slap Happy Polka``, on its weekdaily spot, `Polka Time`. This is mentioned on the Wikipedia page about KKOW: ``the morning polka (7:30 daily with birthday dedications, sponsored by Grimaldi's Cash Grain

feedstore in Pittsburg)``.

BTW, polka fans with access to the RFD-TV channel may audition Mollie B`s Polka Party UT Sundays at 0300-0400, and another episode midweeks (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1000, March 2 at 0606 UT, sports talk in English, basketball, ESPN maybe mentioned in passing, shortly confirmed same as local 1390 KCRC, but 1000 with quite a delay. This is overpowering KTOK OKC; in fact, I must null the ESPN to hear KTOK on groundwave. Therefore it`s 50 kW WMVP in Chicago, and must be on day pattern which has a lobe to the west (but more to the east), while night pattern has a deep cardioid null to the west. Usual occupant of KTOK when nulled is Ju·rez or when it`s cheating, Albuquerque (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1050, Feb 26 at 1332 UT, ``Newstalk 1050, KSIS and also KSISradio.com`` IDs twice in less than a minute, i.e. 1 kW ND from Sedalia MO, overcoming the Okies.

I had also just heard 950, KWOS Jefferson City MO, 5 kW ND also newstalk (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1060, March 3 at 0137 UT, EWTN programming in English from NW/SE, about 1 second ahead of {not behind as I misstated originally} 11520 WEWN. No doubt KRCN Longmont CO: not totally dominant like last time when obviously on 50 kW ND day power, but too much for mere 111 watt night power either; usual LAHs from off-frequencies XERDO and KIJN. {So EWTN programming from Irondale gets to us quicker via Colorado than via Vandiver; why?} (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1200, March 4 at 0651 UT, WOAI has severe QRM, making SAH of almost 5 Hz (295 per minute = 4.92 Hz), of country music, still hard to separate with WOAI nulled as much as possible, but from E/W direxion. 0659 UT announcement but unreadable, 0700 UT no news, into ``Nine to Five`` by Parton. Has to be WAMB Nashville TN, 50 kW ND daytimer! Which has just flipped from Spanish CHR to C&W, per NRC AM Switch as of Feb 20, 2015:

``1200 WAMB TN Nashville ñ Format to C&W (ex-SS:CHR) Slogan & Group to // FM 98.9 Real Country (Doug Smith)``

Own website has yet to catch up with this, still ``La Radio de Hoy``
http://wambradionashville.webs.com/
tho with a split personality, partly in English, ``Latin/Pop``.

BTW, their big priority to 99.3 promotion was nothing but a 3-watt!

Translator in Donelson, W257AR. Likewise 98.7 (per WTFDA DB, not 98.9!) is a heftier but insufficient 80 watt WAMB translator, W254CK. Confusion here: there is a 5 kW on 98.9, WANT in nearby Lebanon (and WAMB`s Nashville address is on Lebanon Road). So which is it? Or both?

Apparently one of WAMB`s (ex?)-personnel, unnamed in automatic slide show on homepage
http://wambradionashville.webs.com/
http://imageprocessor.websimages.com/width/920/wambradionashville.webs.com/1395186_637811136291600_752674649_n.jpg

It was only 14 months ago that WAMB flipped from Big Band to Spanish, apologetically:
http://www.wamb.net/
How could they accidentally leave a 50 kW transmitter on all night? This makes WOAI no longer the #1 ``clear channel`` station (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1220, Feb 27 at 0152 UT, ``You`re never more than 20 minutes away from the weather on My Country, WSLM 12-20 AM``. And you`re never less than 5000 watts day power either, rather than 82 watts night from this Salem IN cheater, per NRC AM Log, which also shows slogan instead as ``Classic Country``. Maybe they utter both (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Used to be, WSLM would leave the day power up just for Indiana University football and basketball broadcasts, but now they're doing it all the time. I guess I can sheepishly admit that this is one station that I don't mind cheating. There's not a whole lot else to listen to on 1220 here at night, as I'm too far away from both Denver and Cleveland. Plus, it's nice to hear a small town AM air so much local programming. And for a lot of DXers out west, it represents their best (and only) opportunity to log the Hoosier State. 73, (Rick Dau, South Omaha, Nebraska EN21AF
http://www.dxworld.com/bcblog.html Feb 27, NRC-AM via DXLD)

** U S A. 1300, Feb 26 at 1341 UT, funeral announcements mentioning Marshall, Richmond and Sedalia, i.e. KMMO Marshall MO, 1 kW ND (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Subject: [IRCA] 1220 UNID --- Condx last night were very much improved over what they have been, at least domestically. The GY's were alive with rich deep audio, not the usual muffled-jungle of signals. One new state was heard (#29), KWOD/KMBZ identifying as "The Business Channel" on 1350, Kansas City, KS.

As well, this one was heard at 0600Z TOH and in the clear for almost two full minutes. I think it's WSLM, Salem, IN, with the weather, and

several "my country WSLM" (I think) idents. Also a mention of "never having to wait more than 20 minutes for the latest weather forecast." Perhaps someone closer could confirm the format. This would also be a new state for me.
http://members.shaw.ca/skcraig/wslm.mp3
(Steve Craig, VE7SL, Feb 26, IRCA via DXLD)

I`ve not seen any replies to this, at least on the IRCA list, originally misleadingly subjected 1220 UNID.

KWOD/KMBZ Business Channel is on 1660, not 1350! If this was really heard on 1350, could it have been KMAN Manhattan with a segment from KWOD??

As for the 1220 unID, yes, it`s constantly cheatin` WSLM, as I also recently copied and reported the same slogan and weather promo. 73, (Glenn Hauser, OK, ibid.)

** U S A. 1510, March 4 at 0703 UT, heavy CCI, but one station IDing some translators in Colorado, so that would be KCKK Littleton. Is it still ``The Rock``, // 93.7? Then heard some C&W music but could have been from else. I was especially checking for WLGN Logan OH, which was reported cheating earlier in the evening (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1520, March 2 at 0624 UT with KOKC nulled, briefly hear ``on 105.7``. Normally the dominant would be KOLM Rochester MN; but its website makes no mention of an FM, which it surely would if one existed. There is a 105.7 translator in Rochester, K259BO, but WTFDA FM database says it relays KJCY, contemporary Christian. There might have been a flip, but FCC FM & AM Query show separate licensees.

So to the NRC AM Log for 1520 --- is a 105.7 // mentioned anywhere? Yes! WLGC Greenup KY, 5 kW daytimer, ID as ``Kool Hits 105.7 Newschannel``, address in Ashland. WLGC-FM is also the only 1520 // hit on 105.7 WTFDA FM database listings, but those don`t always show the AM frequency. So make it a tentative (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1530, Feb 27 at 0659 UT, Arkansas religious event calendar continues past 0700 UT, atop the BS from WCKY, so it`s again the cheatin` KVDW England AR, 2.5 kW `daytimer`, for whom breaking FCC rules and licensing is obviously no sin (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Has WLZR AM 1560 Melbourne, FL switched call sign back to WINT? Heard a male with sign-off on February 22, 2015 giving WINT call sign with "...studios and offices located at 2275 West Hibiscus

Boulevard, Suite 301, Melbourne, Florida". If WLZR switched back to WINT, what happened to WINT 1330 kHz Willoughby, OH? 73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, Feb 26, ABDX via DXLD)

The 1560 in Melbourne has been off more than on. Someone kept stealing the copper at the tower site. I honestly thought they were off for good as I thought it has been a year. When they were on, they would sometimes forget to sign off at sunset (Juan Gualda, Fort Pierce, FL, ibid.)

Brief audio clip attached. Sounds like male is saying "WINT" to me. 73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, ibid.)

I've heard 1560 Melbourne within the past 30 days or so plowing through Brevard County racing up and down Interstate 95, during the daytime (Ron Charles-Gitschier, ibid.)

No. It is still WLZR.
http://transition.fcc.gov/fcc-bin/amq?list=0&facid=60388
Sent from my iPhone (Dennis Gibson, CA, ibid.)

It wouldn't surprise me if they didn't change the sign off with the new call. It is a simple simulcast of the FM. The FM is not attended at night and cuts off ball games before they are done (Juan Gualda, ibid.)

Methinks what's happening here is that a sign-off message with the previous WINT calls is still in the station's database, and that's what you're hearing. As Dennis pointed out, their legal CLs ARE WLZR, and Wikipedia reports that they returned to the air with those CLs about 2 months ago. 73, (Rick Dau, South Omaha, Nebraska EN21AF Http://www.dxworld.com/bcblog.html ibid.)

It hasn't been WINT since 5/18/2012.
http://licensing.fcc.gov/cgi-bin/ws.exe/prod/cdbs/pubacc/prod/call_hist.pl?Facility_id=60388&Callsign=WLZR
Sent from my iPhone (Dennis Gibson, ibid.)

Here's what I think is happening: 1560 in Melbourne has been silent for years now (it was dark when I snapped a tower picture, and that was back in 2011!) and is pretty much a forgotten piece of the Cumulus empire.

The WLZR calls were parked there a few years back to save them for future use after they were changed in their longtime home of Milwaukee.

I'm assuming the Melbourne station was put back on the air temporarily

to keep the license from expiring. They probably don't much care what they're calling it on the air. It may be that they're using the old "WINT" branding and dropping a quick "WLZRmelbourne" in at the top of the hour...if at all (Scott Fybush, NY, ibid.)

** U S A. 1560 --- IT`s OVER. WFME-1560-NY signed on at noon, so the DX feast over the past ten days or so of transition from Disney to Family Radio is over. They don't sound like they're at full power, and there were a number of glitches, but they are back (Russ Edmunds, 15 mi NW Phila, Grid FN20id, 1720 UT Feb 27, NRC-AM via DXLD)

So here's the rundown of new stations I heard on 1560:

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FEB 17 2135 EST   VEN Radio Nacional de Venezuela   NEW
FEB 18 1727 EST   OH   WTNS   OH   Coshocton
FEB 18 1729 EST   UNID "Real Country"
FEB 18 1840 EST   KY   WKDO   Liberty
FEB 19 0220 EST   SD   KKAA   Aberdeen "Family Radio"
FEB 20 1743 EST   UNID   Religion program with North Carolina address
FEB 20 1747 EST   UNID   Menard's ad
FEB 20 1820 EST   WV   WFSP   Kingwood
FEB 20 2115 EST   IL   WBYS   Canton   NEW
FEB 21 1743 EST   VA   WSBV   South Boston  NEW
FEB 22 1757 EST   OH   WWYC   Toledo   CSN International   NEW
FEB 22 1633 EST   UNID   "The Country Road" with Father Joe Beighner
FEB 22 1927 EST   IA   KLNG   Council Bluffs
FEB 27 1730 EST   NY   WFME   New York   "Family Radio"   NEW
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That's five new ones, plus a bunch of relogs. A total of 43 stations have been heard on 1560. I'm especially pleased with the Venezuela station. It only appeared on that one night.

The Father Joe Show has me mystified. I can't seem to connect it to any station's schedule, and Father Joe's website is out of date, with the "Radio" tab not working. It appears that he retired several years ago. He's in Baltimore and they run his program at 8 am and 8 pm on Sundays on WPOC-FM in Baltimore (old shows, I would think). This leads me to suspect WKIK in LaPlata MD, but WKIK doesn't reveal anything on its website. The e-address links for WPOC personnel don't seem to work, either (Jim Renfrew, Clarendon NY, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

From OK, where it makes no difference, I`ve been a bit bemused by the big DX opening the absence of WQEW/WFME made further east. Look at the night pattern per FCC, with a deep null at 280 degrees, so it should not have been much of a factor e.g. in Michigan.

The minor lobe to the SW shouldn`t be a major blocker at some distance either. Comments whether this seems accurate?

http://transition.fcc.gov/ftp/Bureaus/MB/Databases/AM_DA_patterns/1424019-114635.pdf

Or was most of the DX nominal daytimers when NYC would have been on more troublesome day pattern?
http://transition.fcc.gov/ftp/Bureaus/MB/Databases/AM_DA_patterns/1424019-114634.pdf
73, (Glenn Hauser, Feb 27, mwdx yg et al,. dxldyg via DXLD)

A 'night' pattern with a null in the direction of MI is, as Click and Clack would say 'booooooooo-gus.' At least here in lower MI where WQEW is and always was dominant at night given 'normal' conditions. I just logged WFME with a SINPO of 54+54+4 at their ToH ID at 0200 UT and that is typical. 73 (//Ken Vito Zichi, UT March 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

280 degree null from NYC: Cleveland-Chicago-Omaha-Hilo (gh, later, DXLD)

Since the patterns referred to are for the former WQEW, are we sure that the new WFME will follow them -- or have they filed a new pattern with the FCC (which may not be available on the internet yet)? BTW, there seems to be another deep null at about 140 degrees (which may include parts of Coney Island, Brooklyn and the Rockaways in Queens!) on the evening pattern (which is not on the day pattern). I don't know what to make of it (but it may not matter anyway). (Shawn From Flushing NY (a part of NYC), dxldyg via DXLD)

Changing a pattern, especially for a 50 kW station affecting so many others, is not something done easily. Changes of ownership normally mean accepting the existing patterns (gh, DXLD)

Nope -- WQEW was also always dominant and strong here under 'normal' conditions -- as I said. kvz (Ken Vito Zichi, ibid.)

** U S A. 1600, Feb 27 at 0657 UT, ID in passing as KGYM, weather and local sports for Iowa. First I did double-take as sounded like KGYN, which is already taken by 1210 Guymon OK. This on FRG-7 with E-W longwire; surprised to have this dominating 1600 rather than St Louis or Denver or even Vietnam [non]. Forget about my closest, KUSH Cushing OK, only 70 watts at night.

KGYM is 5/5 kW U2 in Cedar Rapids (which I cheekily abbr. ``CRap``). ``The Gym``, and guess what its format is? (hint: not nudism). This was originally KCRG (as in channel ``9`` TV too) until Oct 20, 2006. Licensee is now KZIA Inc., so is there a New Mexico connexion? Various NM stations have used KZIA in the past, but let it go. Perhaps the Zia Pueblo objected, but the Zia Sun Symbol has been adopted to represent NM as a whole. KZIA is currently an unassigned call on AM, but it`s

now the sibling CRap FM 102.9 with 100 kW. 1600 night pattern is a broad ellipse peaking northwest, maximum signal from W to NW to NE, but we should be getting very little here to the SW, so really on ND day pattern? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1630, Feb 27 at 0141 UT, Spanish is making it instead of usual English from KKGM and KCJJ, and it loops NW/SE, so KRND in Fox Farm WY; adstring including a Dodge dealer in AC 970 (which is adjacent Colorado); amid heavy CCI, SHVA promos some norteÒo event the next day, viernes 28; 0144 website UNC - algo .org, probably referring to University of Northern Colorado; 0145 Top Dollar(?) store in Cheyenne. 0145 ``La Jota Mexicana, 16-30 AM, 94.7 FM``. Where does the Jota name come from? Allusion to a dance originating in Spain? Has retained original call KRND presumably invoking old slogan ``Grande``. IIRC this station used to have an odd reduced power, but NRC AM Log 2014-2015 now shows it`s 10/1 kW U1 like most X-banders and the other three on 1630.

Owner started other Spanish stations in Colorado. History page is interesting but still doesn`t explain where the J comes from. Maybe it`s obvious to anyone of La Raza; or maybe it`s just random branding which sounds neat. It certainly beats Zeta with its unsavory connotations. Well, at least there is a J in its translator call, K223CJ, tho that was surely a sequential assignment.

But wait, channel 223 is 92.5, not 94.7. Website http://lajotamexicana.com/ confirms 94.7 is it now. The WTFDA FM Database shows the 94.7 in Cheyenne is K234AH relaying KRAE [1480] with Oldies, ``Greatest Hits of the 50s and 60s`` and still shows 92.5 K223CJ as the KRND 1630 duplicator with 50 watts. So both references need this updated. How much longer before KRND starts bestowing top billing on its inferior FM translator, a widespread industry trend? It`s already physically on the upper side of the homepage logo (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

As for the `Jota` name, Rick Barton, AZ, replies: ``I did a double take when I saw your log. You see, the other definition of the word I am familiar with -- is a Mexican slang word for a Lesbian (La Jota being the feminine version, and El Joto or Jotito being the masculine, i.e., "gay"). With that definition in mind, that radio station slogan was amusing to me. But I`m sure that is not the correct answer here`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1680, March 3 at 0653 UT, the rapid SAH I hear against dominant KRJO Monroe LA music has finally become strong enough to copy with KRJO nulled: discussion in English about job retraining. 0700 UT outro as program ``Women Libs --- produced at WPRR, Public Reality Radio``; then full ID for that on 1680 AM plus three FMs, 95.3, 90.1

and 88.3 in different towns, and into `Sierra Club Radio`. Besides 1680, homepage http://www.publicrealityradio.org/ mentions only 95.3 in the lower right; 95.3 and 91.9 in the upper left. Maybe the others are mere translators. Linx to shows: `Women Libs`
http://www.publicrealityradio.org/programs/womenlibs
is at 10 am Mondays, and `Sierra Club Radio`:
http://www.publicrealityradio.org/programs/sierraclubradio
is at 5 am Mondays, so these must be extra repeats, or outdated info.
http://www.publicrealityradio.org/schedule
shows neither for Tuesday morning March 3. Whatever the contradixions, a rare left-wing radio station, which ought to get 50 kW clear-channel status, and shortwave. Fat chance. Ada is an eastern suburb of Grand Rapids MI, pop. 2300 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VANUATU. PLANS TO FIX THE STATE OF BROADCASTING IN VANUATU

Despite millions of dollars being poured into it, Vanuatu's public broadcaster remains, by the government's own admission, hamstrung. Along with plans for new management and to shed a third of the staff of Vanuatu's national broadcaster, the government is also looking to modernise the Vanuatu Broadcasting and Television Corporation.

Despite millions of dollars of aid poured into the VBTC over the years, it is unable to provide adequate radio coverage for the outer islands, and even in areas close to the main centre.

By the government's own admission, the VBTC is hamstrung, and has not been able to move with the times, but it says it has the political will to make changes for the good. Leilani Momoisea reports.

Just last week, worries were raised that some communities in Vanuatu could miss out on cyclone warnings due to transmission problems with the national broadcaster's Radio Vanuatu. Our correspondent, Hilaire Bule, says there's confirmation that Pentecost Island is not receiving transmissions from Radio Vanuatu, and people in Ambae and further North in the Banks and Torres island groups also have trouble getting the station. He says transmission problems with Radio Vanuatu have been ongoing for years, and it's not just the outer-islands that have issues.

HILAIRE BULE: In the Daily Post people from Efate, they are complaining about the reception of their national radio, and it's about three kilometres from the main radio station in Port Vila. It's dangerous because Vanuatu is now entering the cyclone season and people cannot receive the warning of the possible cyclone in the villages or in the communities.

In 2009, Japan, New Zealand and Australia poured millions into funding

a project which allowed the VBTC to set up a new shortwave transmitter to provide a radio signal to all the Vanuatu islands. However, over the years since then, signals have failed, with some equipment now having major corrosion issues.

Jean Gabriel Manguy, a private consultant who was involved in helping Radio Vanuatu improve its services back then, says it's been a pattern of millions of dollars invested into the company, going down the drain. He says that's partly due to a lack of maintenance and political interference.

JEAN-GABRIEL MANGUY: There has also been mismanagement, and in spite of a very significant aid project to help them, it hasn't helped the situation. It's disappointing to see once again there hasn't been any money allocated to maintaining transmitters. In other words, people in the rural areas, in the islands and in the remote areas, are being forgotten.

The government has set up a committee to review the VBTC, with plans to retire or make redundant about a third of the staff, and is looking for a new general manager to head the VBTC. The Vanuatu Media Association says the government needs to recruit the right person to steer the company forward, and it needs strong leadership from the top to bottom levels. It says it is perhaps a good idea for the government to down-size the company, however, the government restructured the VBTC in 1999, and some 16 years later, the same problems are happening again.

The Public Relations Officer for the Prime Minister's Office, Kierry Manassah, says the problems with the VBTC are perennial, and are partly due to a lack of political will from the national level, political interference, and people going into the company through the wrong channels.

KIERRY MANASSAH: A lot of those has caused a lot of problems for the organisation. The government still sees a lot of value in VBTC, it's like the bridge between the government and the people. And so the government still values it's contribution to the national conversations, and we still think that the government can do something about it.

Kierry Manassah also chairs the task-force that is looking at how the corporation can move from analogue to digital programming, and he says there's a need to look at who from VBTC needs to go in light of new technology. He says they are currently looking for partners to help with the national digitisation of TV, and will look to these partners to also address radio transmission issues. Mr Manassah says depending on expressions of interest, there's the possibility that the

government will contract out the management of the digital TV broadcast service to a private company. And in terms of fixing radio transmission issues, he says the government is considering switching to FM.

KIERRY MANASSAH: That's the way forward, a lot of those that are still there now are short-wave and medium wave transmitters, especially with the short-wave transmitters, those are quite old and it's very difficult to find spare parts and replacements. So a lot of those need to be overhauled.

Jean Gabriel Manguy says the government's commitment to do something about broadcasting is welcomed and very encouraging. However, he says while in theory FM radio is a great idea, it's not really manageable.

JEAN-GABRIEL MANGUY: Instead of having one or two transmitters to manage, then you need probably 50 transmitters to manage. Not only do you have to manage them, but you have to have electricity to make them function.

So there are technical issues there that limit the FM option. Mr Manguy says new technologies need to be investigated, like perhaps making use of the substantial telephone network going across the country. Kierry Manassah says the government is not blind to the concerns and complaints about VBTC, but the taskforce is trying to address these issues, and ensure the VBTC is the national broadcaster that everybody expects (RNZI via March ADXN via DXLD)

** VATICAN. A-15 planning includes some new station designated IRDR to be using SMG site, e.g. 24 hours, 100 kW ND on 17500 to all zones; what`s that?? IRDR carried out multi-nation test last year (gh, DXLD)

Dear Mr Bueschel, Thank you for the message. The services you are referring to are part of the implementation of a project conceived by the HFCC - International Broadcasting Delivery association, in close co-operation with the Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union and the Arab States Broadcasting Union, the HFCCs sister co-ordination groups.

The project is named International Radio for Disaster Relief, IRDR; its purpose is to offer to the world community a global platform, on SW, for a wireless radio service to audiences in disaster and post-disaster situations when local and even regional communication and information networks are destroyed or overloaded and the population affected by the disaster suffers from an information blackout.

According to ITU-R Resolution 647 (WRC-07): "The immediate availability of pre-identified and pre-coordinated frequencies, and/or spectrum-flexible technologies to allow near-instantaneous decisions

to make use of available spectrum, are important for successful telecommunications in the very early stages of humanitarian assistance intervention for disaster relief".

This important requirement is met in the IRDR project, since according to Article 12 of the International Radio Regulations individual frequency channels for broadcasting are not assigned, but are internationally co-ordinated in the High Frequency bands allocated to the Broadcasting Service.

For the implementation of IRDR project several frequencies have already been identified in the current B14 schedule and reserved for emergency broadcasts on a global basis with the final aim to have them available for 24 hours per day, throughout the year. These frequency channels are indicated in the public HFC-ASBU-ABU global frequency schedule as IRDR and subject to the usual coordination process that is carried out in the group:

kHz	UTC	
9430	0500	0900
13620	1700	2400
13620	1200	1400
13620	0200	0300
15650	0000	2400
17500	0000	2400
21840	0000	2400

Please visit the HFCC - International Broadcasting Delivery web page, http://www.hfcc.org/humanitarian/ for more detailed information on the project. Best regards (Vatican Radio via B¸schel, DXLD)

** VATICAN. See SUDAN [and non], changes to relays of clandestines

** VIETNAM. 8294-USB, Vietnam Coast Radio Station, 1205 to 1210 in Vietnamese // 7906-USB Vietnam Coast Radio Station - Hai Phong Radio listed for this time but too weak, 26 February (MR, Vero Beach, Florida, NRD 515, Drake R8B, Tecsun PL-398BT, via Wilkner, and Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8, NRD 525, Sony 2010XA, 60 90/120 meter dipoles, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

QSL from Haiphong Radio, 7906-USB:
http://3.bp.blogspot.com/-QPyJOx2P6cU/UVArH3p3nwI/AAAAAAAAF2U/N1Y2M2vbxDk/s1600/Haiphong+Radio.JPG
(Timm Breyel, Malaysia, via PlayDX Electronic 01 March via DXLD)

** VIETNAM. El viceprimer ministro de Vietnam Vu Duc Dam dio el visto bueno a la propuesta de la Voz de Vietnam (VOV, inglÈs) de incrementar trasmisiones que realiza en idioma inglÈs durante las 24 horas.

El subjefe del gobierno asignÛ al Ministerio de InformaciÛn y ComunicaciÛn la facultad de autorizar los programas en conformidad con las normas vigentes.

Seg˙n las previsiones, la nueva seÒal iniciar· sus emisiones en el tercer trimestre de este aÒo.

Actualmente, los servicios de informaciones al exterior de la radioemisora (VOV5) difunden programas en inglÈs, francÈs, espaÒol, japonÈs, chino, alem·n, laosiano, tailandÈs, cambodiano, indonesio y vietnamita.-VNA (via GRA blog via DXLD) 24h of English from July???

** VIETNAM [and non]. 11890, March 4 at 1408, whoop-whoop jamming barely audible under a Vietnamese service, which Aoki says is RFA via Saipan at 14-15; same as we hear against FEBC on 9920 (minority languages at 1200-1330 via Iba). Violating Separation of Church and State, IBB also just happens to precede this with another Vietnamese language service, Vatican relay at 1315-1400 on same 11890 but via Tinang; so do the Vietnamese jam that too? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** WESTERN SAHARA [non]. ALGERIA, 1550, Saharan Republic National Radio, 1906-1920, 28-02, Arabic, comments, "Arabia Saharauia Democratia". Interference from Capital One, England on 1548. 22322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Tecsun PL-880, cable antenna 8 meters and Degen 31MS, active Loop antenna, Logs in Friol, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. February 26: Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation in English to CeAf 1801 on 11735 Dole https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i5wOCjAfQWI&feature=youtu.be (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 702, March 3 at 1308 UT, JBA carrier seems from W rather than NW, and no signals from the 500 kW NHK outlets. This is probably Australia. A bit too late to start checking, as today`s sunrise was 1300 UT; in a month it will have earlied to 1216 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Re 15-08: Hi Max, Not sure if this has been solved yet, but I made a few more observations today (28/2 1350 UT). Using my Sony ICF2001D and ferrite sleeve aerial (out of doors to avoid the mains borne interference) I nulled the signals on both 1080 and 1134 kHz. It wasn't a very deep null, but I estimate they were approximately east or west of my location.

I nulled both Talksport transmitters on 1107 kHz (Wallasey & Boston)

and the null bearing coincided with that of the spurious signals on 1080 & 1134 kHz. Looking at the map, Wallasey, Buxton & Boston all lie on the same straight line, so impossible for me to split up.

With the spurious tx's being 27 kHz either side of 1107, there aren't many possible transmitters east or west of my location, it could be either Wallasey or Boston. (Talksport's Clipstone on 1071 kHz is also on a similar bearing here to Boston and is only 40 miles away from me.)

But if it was the Boston tx at fault and I hear the ground wave during the day (80 miles from Boston), should it also be audible over a mainly sea-path to Holland at the same time? You mentioned it was only audible at night in Holland.

Possibly it is Wallasey; maybe anyone listening in the Wallasey tx service area could check these 2 frequencies? 73's (Nick Rank, Buxton UK, Sony ICF2001D, ferrite sleeve aerial, Feb 28, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

I had occasion to drive past Wallasey on the M53 last night and tuned in to 1107 KHz. I can't say that I could hear anything untoward. As I was in such close proximity to the transmitter there was, as might be expected, wide sideband splatter down to 1071 and up to 1143. There were no unusual noises and the sideband signals were in phase. The only thing I noticed was that the signal seemed marginally stronger at the edges, for example the splatter seemed louder at 1134 and 1143 than at 1116 and 1025 (John Mattocks March 4, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. COMMENTARIOS: English Peskies on 21 February from 0203 through 0249 on 6925 USB: The first EE peskies that I've heard. It was a conversation between significant others. One a shrimper -- maybe in the Chesapeake Bay and his wife/? in Connecticut. They chatted about domestic matters, including a broken truck, the weather, and getting a kiss. Some concern about Paul's guns (Paul apparently died). He commented about the interference on 6925 and suggested moving to 8925. The interference was from "our" folks making rude comments and playing music as commentary. What was particularly interesting was that the conversation was in full swing when I tuned in at 0203 and went on for almost 50 minutes that I heard. Nice soap opera for the troops -- almost as much fun as listening to cordless phones when they were on 1700 KHz or so (Ron Hunsicker, Free Radio Weekly 28 Feb via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7175 was on air at least March 3rd at 1500 - 1830 UT off. I came too late, unfortunatelly I heard that intruder only last 2 minutes til 1830 UT.

In November 17-20, 2014 we had in this frequency range on 7130 kHz Iran TV tone at 1433-1830 UT contained LualuaTV program, based in

London U.K.
"supporting the Shiite upraise against the sunni Bahrain rulers" /
"Political content against the Kingdom of Bahrain"
"Content: Politics topic against Bahrain, Saudi Arabia."
"Source: most probably Iran." wb (df5sx, via DXLD) Red herring

7175.0 BC A3E: hi all, at 7175.0 BC A3E BW approx 5 kHz wide, Voice and Music, maybe Arabian or Indian style? 73, (Peter, HB9CET, INTRUDERALERT mailing list 4 March via Wolfgang B¸schel, DXLD)

I confirm Peter¥s message: 03.03.2015 1505-1530 UT on 7175.0 kHz BC-Station with music, S 9+5dB, not very strong in Phuket/Thailand. 73¥s de (Ralph, HS0ZFL, DK3GH, Meissner, ibid.)

JA; habe ich noch 1830z gehˆrt, zwei Minuten sp%ter beim nexxxxten Check war der Sender OFF (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

Soon IDed as Voice of the Broad Masses (which has used 7175 before): See ERITREA

UNIDENTIFIED. February 25:
UNIDentified station, test tone 1000 Hz 0859 on 9550
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6-b3bzQL8B0&feature=youtu.be

UNIDentified station, playing Egyptian music 0901 on 9550
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=30mNzxW0Y4o&feature=youtu.be

UNIDentified station, playing Egyptian music 0905 on 9550
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cBdltzs0Y-0&feature=youtu.be

UNIDentified station, playing Egyptian music 0913 on 9550
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J-xnuOI1T7g&feature=youtu.be

UNIDentified station, playing Egyptian music 0918 on 9550
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vULOmWlrtdU&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

February 26:
UNIDentified station, playing Egyptian music 1051 on 9600
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B71ILkqitsU&feature=youtu.be

UNIDentified station, playing Egyptian music 1054 on 9600
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B9FNQiJDVG0&feature=youtu.be

UNIDentified station, playing Egyptian music 1059 on 9600
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rweO1eattN4&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

Playing Egyptian music was heard again on Feb 25 and 26
0858-0901 on 9550 with 1000 Hz test tone and then
0901-0921 on 9550 long Arabic folk song, 5 videos on Feb 25
1051-1101 on 9600 long Arabic folk song, 3 videos on Feb 26
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/unidentified-station-playing-egyptian_25.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #898 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, March 2, 2015 via DXLD)

UNIDentified station, playing Egyptian music was heard again
1051-1101 on 9600 long Arabic folk song, 3 videos on Feb.26:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/02/unidentified-station-playing-egyptian_25.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

9550.004 kHz test tone at 0858-0901 UT March 2nd. Followed by Arabic song in 0901-0911 UT time slot. Not much strong here in Germany and western Europe. ?Probably? test outlet of ARS Jeddah or Riyadh site, latter on their refurbishing program.

S=6-7 -84dBm in Germany
S=5 in Madrid
S=6 in Lyon Chambery
S=6 in Forli
S=6 in Steiermark
S=4 in Belgium
S=6 in Moscow
tiny in Finland
NIL in Japan and Australia.

Much stronger at this 09 UT slot in 31 mb:
9460 CRI Cerrik Albania
9400 Radyoya Denge Kurdistane, Gavar Armenia
9395 WRMI
9575 Medi I Nador Morocco.
9765 RNZI Rangitaiki
wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDentified station, playing Arabic music was heard again on March 2
0838-0846 on 9550, open carrier / dead air,
0846-0900 on 9550, 1000 Hz test tone and then
0900-0912 on 9550, long Arabic folk songs, videos
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/unidentified-station-playing-egyptian.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

EMPTY channels, nothing heard on 9550 or 9600 kHz channels at 0850-0905 UT range in past two days (Wolfgang B¸schel, March 4, ibid.)

1029-1036 on 9550, Egyptian song, very poor today. Videos will be uploaded later today -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

UNIDentified station, playing Arabic music was heard again on March 4:
1015-1029 on 9550, 1000 Hz test tone and then
1029-1036 on 9550, Arabic songs, very poor, 2 videos
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/03/unidentified-station-playing-egyptian.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. Often I hear hets and strange noises. Usually I just drive-by them. I decided to investigate a couple.

9700 Heterodyne, 1527 21-Feb, Heard heterodyne; according to all my reference sources nothing is supposed to be on the frequency at this time. Using MFJ 956 Tuner. USB - ECSS at 1532 I hear OM voice and music the music sounds like it could be Chinese jammer (Gary Vance, Grand Ledge MI, MARE Tipsheet Feb 27 via DXLD)

What sources? Aoki shows RNZI on 9700 from 1300 to 1745, and we first reported this change from 5950 effective Feb 2 as in DXLD 15-05, not a reference source either??

And what do you mean by heterodyne? Some people say het when they mean carrier. A het is a beat pitch made by *two* carriers on two different frequencies, not necessarily also with any detectable modulation (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. February 27:
UNIDentified number station in English 0816 on 9702
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W4jNz_TswUY&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15909.5-SSB, March 4 at 1356, 2-way contact in colloquial Spanish (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 17665, Feb 27 at 1413, open carrier, good and steady with lite fading, presumably Greenville B again checking whether the transmitter will be OK for a later broadcast on another nearby frequency. Typical behaviour around 9 am local as the day shift starts? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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ACKNOWLEDGED ON WORLD OF RADIO 1763:

Glenn, Love the show, thanks for all the effort and willingness to share. I am from KY but have been living in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, for 10 years. Are there any signals in particular that you would like a reception report on from here? (Thomas Hunt with a contribution via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com)

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FUTURELY:

Note from Robert May: Great to find the World of Radio site. Remember you from RCI around 1980 or 81. Not much SWL'ing now, mostly ham, but glad I found your site. 73, (Rob, NV5E, with a contribution via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com)

Thanks to Kevin Crouch, Northridge CA, for a check in the P-mail to World of Radio, P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702

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FCC REFERENCES [and non]

I know radio-locator uses the word pattern at the bottom of each map. I think that's unfortunate because they aren't the licensed or in this case granted patterns. On top they call them the predicted daytime/nighttime coverage area, which is exactly what they are. I recommend using FCCInfo.com for the real patterns. This is the CP 20 kW day pattern for KLFE.

http://fccinfo.com/CMDProEngine.php?sCurrentService=AM&tabSearchType=Appl&sAppIDNumber=1574184&sHours=D

FCCInfo.com organizes a lot of the data better than the FCC database. However there are things you can only get from the FCC database such as the fascinating FCC history cards, PSRA and PSSA authorizations, official sunrise and sunset times for every station each month, written correspondence between stations and the FCC and much more.

There are things you can do quickly on FCCInfo.com that would take forever in the FCC database. One of my favorites is the ability to search for which stations are within any distance you choose of any geographical coordinates you choose. That's great if you want to find out all of the stations on a major communication site such as Mount Wilson above Los Angeles. If you're not sure if a particular station is diplexed or triplexed with another that search will tell you.

http://fccinfo.com/cmdpro.php

I'm really enjoying the pattern/coverage maps from radio-timetraveller.blogspot.com. Scroll down to January 24 for details. The links to the zip files are on the right at the top of the page. Several engineers got them and were impressed.

Sent from my iPhone (Dennis Gibson, IRCA via DXLD)

Re: [IRCA] KFI 640 kHz heard at 11:23 AM PST Daytime DX

KFI does not have the "punch" they used to have up here in the NW. They used to be the strongest signal from So Cal, but KNX is stronger at night these days (Patrick Martin, Seaside OR, IRCA via DXLD)

Here's a photo I took of the new KFI tower in 2010. It's 675 feet high with a massive top hat.
https://www.flickr.com/photos/dcgibson55/4507092608/in/set-72157623814821388
e old tower was 750 feet. The city of La Mirada wouldn't give Clear Channel a permit for 750 feet. The groundwave a bit over 100 miles away is close but not quite what it used to be. On groundwave driving north 250 plus miles away KNX goes away while KFI is still somewhat audible. If KNX went further north KSCO wouldn't be allowed to have the massive 10 kW nondirectional daytime signal it does in that area.

Another reason for denying the 750 foot permit is that the airport the plane flew from isn't very far away.

I don't know if KFI still has the Nautel NX50 50 kW transmitter that was there in 2010. It probably does because Clear Channel is not known for spending money. Some people use another word instead of Clear that refers to that. I won't say it here. The NX50 is a state of the art solid state transmitter and has nothing to do with it not getting out like it used to. I'm not an engineer but a few weeks ago I helped three engineers install a new Nautel GV10 10 kW FM transmitter on a local major communications site in the foothills. That was a lot of fun and I learned a lot.

I'm glad you enjoyed the pictures. Anyone is welcome to look at my tower and studio photos. They're on my flickr site which is http://www.flickr.com/photos/dcgibson55/sets

The KFI photos are in the Fybush So. Calif. Road Trip 2010 set. There is a set of the 2010 convention that Patrick hosted in Seaside. There are also tower sets from the 2007 Salt Lake City convention and 2009 Albuquerque convention. I have close to three years of photos that I haven't uploaded. I need to do something about that. Something else that's fun is the I Take Pictures of Transmitter Sites Facebook group.

Anyone on Facebook is welcome to join. All you need to do is go there and ask to become a member. I'm not sure if you have to be on Facebook if you just want to look. Try
http://www.facebook.com/groups/transmittersites
Sent from my iPhone (Dennis Gibson, IRCA via DXLD)

LANGUAGE LESSONS
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JOTA [re, why would a radio station in Wyoming call itself this?]
See USA 1630 log

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES
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JEFF WHITE NOW CHAIRMAN OF HFCC

WRMI Radio Miami International February 21 at 7:16pm

Jeff and Thais White are seen here with Salim Al Nomani of the Public Authority for Radio and Television in Oman, where the High Frequency Coordination Conference (HFCC) took place Feb 1-5 [caption]

At this meeting, Jeff was elected the new chairman of the HFCC, taking over from Oldrich Cip (ex chief engineer of Radio Prague), who had been the HFCC chairman since its formation in 1990. (WRMI Facebook via DXLD)

WRMI Radio Miami International February 27 at 11:04am

WAVESCAN FROM OMAN - On the program Wavescan beginning March 1 there will be the first of several reports from the recent High Frequency Coordination Conference in Oman. WRMI's Jeff White and WWCR's Jerry Plummer will discuss the shortwave broadcasting conference, and in upcoming reports on Wavescan during the coming weeks they will talk with Oldrich Cip, outgoing HFCC Chairman and Salim Al Nomani of the Public Radio and TV Authority of Oman. A further report will examine what can be heard on the radio bands in Salalah, southern Oman (WRMI Facebook via DXLD)

SWL WINTERFESTS

Hi Glenn - Registration was up this year -- to 131 -- from 114 last year. It's the most we've had in at least five years. The Fest has evolved from an exclusively shortwave meeting to one where all aspects of radio have become fair game for discussion. In my humble opinion, this -- perhaps more than almost anything - seems to have reinvigorated things.

I have every expectation we will have a 29th and 30th -- and even more, provided there's still interest. The 131 in attendance this year were an enthusiastic bunch and I have a good feeling about things as a result. I'll impart some more detail to you over the next week.

The next Winter SWL Fest, the 29th, will be March 4-5, 2016
(John Figliozzi, NY/FL, March 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SWL WINTERFEST 28

The 28th annual NASWA-sponsored Winter SWL Festival is now in the history books. Co-FESTmeisters Rich Cuff and John Figliozzi reported 131 registered which is the largest crowd in the last five years. A large crew of volunteers make everything happen so a big ìthank youî is on order to all of them; our silent heroes.

As usual, there was a nice mixture of forum sessions which were quite enjoyable. At the banquet George Zeller was the recipient of the William P. Eddings award as the clubís member of the year. It was good to see all of the original ìgang of threeî at this yearís event; Bob Brown, Harold Cones and Kris Field.

The hospitality room was well run and made for a nice place to spin some radio dials of classic communications receivers or enjoy a refreshing adult beverage and some snacks. Harold Cones returned to handle the raffle prizes giving Sr. Zeller a well-deserved FEST off.

We had a large international contingent with seven Finns, two from Japan and Mark Fahey from Australia. Next yearís 29th annual Winter SWL Festival will be held 4th and 5th of March 2016. It is never too early to begin planning to attend (Rich D'Angelo, 2216 Burkey Drive, Wyomissing, PA 19610, Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R-8B, Eton E1, Eton E5, Alpha Delta DX Sloper, RF Systems Mini-Windom, Datong FL3, JPS ANC-4, NASWA Flashsheet March 1 via DXLD)

Last weekend's Winterfest was a lot of fun. Pirate activity noted only on FM this year, on 87.9, 88.9, and 91.3. Pancho did ride the airwaves at local midnight on February 28. At the annual Pirate forum, George Zeller announced this year's inductees into to North American Pirate Radio Hall of Fame: Ann Hoffer, Jerry Rigged Radio, Radio Esoterica, Scott McClellan, Steve Rogovich, Voice of the Abnormal, Yolanda Lewis and Scott Gentry, and Sycko Radio (Larry Will, Free Radio Weekly March 7 via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV see also CANADA; MEXICO
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TELEVISION ANTENNAS MAKING A COMEBACK

Topekans finding dozens of channels available for free over-the-air
Written by Phil Anderson for The Topeka Capital-Journal [February 14, 2015]

As television continues to grow and evolve, an old standby has resurfaced around Topeka and other parts of the nation ó the outdoor antenna.

Many people have ditched cable and satellite television in favor of free, over-the-air TV channels. Some are supplementing that with programming available on the Internet.

The result is people who wouldnít have given a TV antenna a second thought a few years ago are now scooping them up, cutting their bills and finding many hours of programming to keep them entertained.

Dave Pomeroy, 72, who is a frequent bicycle rider, said he has seen an increasing number of antennas being placed on houses as he pedals around Shawnee County.

ìItís something thatís up-and-coming,î Pomeroy said. ìIím not seeing them by the thousands, but they are starting to pop up. It was disappearing, but with new technology, itís coming back.î ... Source: http://cjonline.com/news/2015-02-14/television-antennas-making-comeback (via March WTFDA VHF-UHF Digest via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM V CHINA; ETHIOPIA; INDONESIA; NEW ZEALAND
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RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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RadioShack Name Up For Grabs

http://www.twice.com/news/retail/radioshack-name-grabs/56155
(Dennis Gibson, Sent from my iPhone, ABDX ia DXLD)

Have a great SWLFest! 1 Radio News says hello, wants feedback, 67% off

Hey all, it was great to receive a couple of invites to SWLFest. While I can't be there in person, I wanted to be there in spirit. Based on the comments about the Pro app (currently $3), shortwave listeners and radio news junkies love this version of my Android app. You can try out the free version - http://bit.ly/1radioapps or get the 100+ station pro version for 99 cents (67% off) through the weekend:

http://bit.ly/1radionewspro

Here are some of the reviews (4.8 stars):

Wow
Fabulous
Brilliant
Unique
Great selection
Best international radio app ever
Love this app
User-friendly
Fast
100% five stars

If you are on Twitter, please share:
https://twitter.com/1RadioNews/status/571367304555966464

Here are some ideas I need feedback/help on:

1. Adding direct streams to international public/gov broadcasters in the Pro with the time of the UTC English program shared. I am finding it very hard to suss out which streams eventually have an English program (fyi, Radio Poland is super smart with language-based streams). Anyone want to help crowd-source these direct stream links?

2. Adding direct links to the pages with English program podcasts AND then adding a feature to simply play just the latest program. (Other more complicated podcast services already cover going back in time ... for me radio is about what's now.) Is this a good idea?

For example, does RAE offer their own podcasts for - http://rae.radionacional.com.ar/?page_id=110 - the Radio360.eu option doesn't seem to start right with the English program which app users would expect

3. Kickstarter for iOS version? As this is still a hobby that might break even if a few years :-), I've said the free version needs 10,000 active install (currently approaching 1500) on Android before I can consider going the hole more with the dream of sharing the diversity of quality world news radio on another platform. Can folks image people essentially donating money (say $25-100) for "perks" to make an iPhone version happen far sooner???

Have a great SWLFest! (Steven Clift, http://1radionews.com Feb 27, swprograms via DXLD)

Previous items about his App were filed under INTERNATIONAL INTERNET

PROPAGATION
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SUN TRANSIT SEASON MAY DISRUPT SOME CBC BROADCAST SIGNALS

Electromagnetic interference from the sun is particularly strong and may disrupt TV and radio signals

CBC News Posted: Mar 04, 2015 9:22 AM AT
Last Updated: Mar 04, 2015 9:22 AM AT

Electromagnetic interference happens when communications satellites pass in front of the sun for several minutes each day over a period of several days, which disrupts the signal.

You may notice some CBC Radio and television broadcast disruptions over the next few days.

The problem is due to electromagnetic interference from the sun which is particularly strong around the equinoxes during what's called the "sun transit" season. During these times, the sun produces quite a bit of microwave radiation which overwhelms microwave signals coming from the satellite's transponders.

Electromagnetic interference happens when communications satellites pass in front of the sun for several minutes each day over a period of several days, which disrupts the signal.

The worst of the interference is expected to happen over the next four days, roughly between 3:30 p.m. AT and 3:50 p.m. AT.

In the Northern Hemisphere, solar transit is usually in early March and October. In the Southern Hemisphere, solar transit is usually in early September and April (CBC News Nova Scotia, March 4, via Gerald T Pollard, NC, DXLD)

SWPC BACKUP SYSTEM TESTING - UNDERGOING SCHEDULE REVIEW

SWPC is considering options for continued implementation of its backup system. At this time, no specific dates for further testing are confirmed. While SWPC was out of service much longer than expected on February 25th, we were able to make great progress towards having a fully operational, geographically diverse backup to all SWPC products and services (SWPC March 1 via DXLD)

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
:Issued: 2015 Mar 02 0412 UTC
Prepared by the US Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, Space Weather Prediction

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http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 23 February-01 March 2015

Solar activity was at very low to low levels. A few weak C-class flares were observed from Region 2294 (S14, L=023, class/area Dai/090 on 28 Feb). Weak to mid-level flares were observed from Region 2290 (N20, L=055, class/area Dai/070 on 24 Feb) including a C5/Sf flare at 28/0939 UTC and a C6.8 flare at 01/1613 UTC. Numerous CMEs were observed during the period including a pair of back-sided full-halo CMEs observed early and late on 28 Feb. None of the CMEs were determined to be Earth-directed.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit. However, slight enhancements above background were observed on 23 Feb and 27-28 Feb due to back-sided activity.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels on 23-24 Feb and again on 01 Mar. Moderate levels were observed on 25-28 Feb with a peak flux of 367 pfu observed at 27/1650 UTC.

Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to minor storm levels on 23-24 Feb due to effects from a positive polarity, trans-equatorial coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Quiet to unsettled levels predominated on 25 Feb through midday on 28 Feb. Activity increased to quiet to minor storm levels midday on 28 Feb through 01 Mar due to a co-rotating interaction region (CIR) in advance of a recurrent negative polarity CH HSS.

Measurements from the ACE satellite indicated high speed winds near 550 km/s early on 24 Feb. IMF Bt peaked at 15 nT midday on 23 Feb while the Bz component varied between +14 to -13 nT on 23-24 Feb. Phi angle was in a predominately positive (away) sector through early on 27 Feb.

Wind parameters decayed to nominal conditions through midday on 28 Feb when CIR effects were observed through the end of the period. Wind speeds increased to near 600 km/s early on 01 Mar. IMF Bt increased to a peak of 14 nT by 28/2000 UTC while the Bz component rotated between +8 nT to -10 nT from late on the 28th through early on the 1st. Phi angle was in a mostly negative (towards) sector, with some positive rotation, from early on 27 Feb through the end of the period.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 02 MARCH - 28 MARCH 2015

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels on 02-04 Mar and 19-28 Mar. From 05-18 Mar, R1 (minor) activity is possible due to the return of old Region 2282 (N11, L=191), an M-class producer on its previous transit.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit in the absence of any significant solar activity.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at moderate to high levels on 02-04 Mar and normal to moderate levels from 05-28 Mar.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at predominately quiet to unsettled levels throughout the outlook period. Unsettled to active conditions are expected on 02-04 Mar, 07-08 Mar, 14 Mar, 16-18 Mar, 22-24 Mar and 27-28 Mar with minor storm (G1-minor) activity possible on 02 Mar and 28 Mar due to numerous recurrent coronal hole high speed streams.

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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2015 Mar 02	130	25	5
2015 Mar 03	125	15	4
2015 Mar 04	125	10	3
2015 Mar 05	125	8	3
2015 Mar 06	120	8	3
2015 Mar 07	120	8	3
2015 Mar 08	115	8	3
2015 Mar 09	115	5	2
2015 Mar 10	120	5	2
2015 Mar 11	125	5	2
2015 Mar 12	125	5	2
2015 Mar 13	130	5	2
2015 Mar 14	130	8	3
2015 Mar 15	130	5	2

2015 Mar 16	135	15	4
2015 Mar 17	135	15	4
2015 Mar 18	130	8	3
2015 Mar 19	125	5	2
2015 Mar 20	120	5	2
2015 Mar 21	120	5	2
2015 Mar 22	115	15	4
2015 Mar 23	115	20	4
2015 Mar 24	110	8	3
2015 Mar 25	110	5	2
2015 Mar 26	115	5	2
2015 Mar 27	120	15	4
2015 Mar 28	125	30	5

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1763, DXLD)

GLENN`S PROPAGATION OUTLOOK FOR MEDIA NETWORK PLUS AS OF MARCH 5

Keith, the IPS Australia forecast thru March 7: Normal to enhanced HF conditions for low latitudes and mostly normal conditions for mid latitudes. Improving HF conditions for high latitudes after recent geomagnetic activity.

South African spaceweather predixions thru March 7: magnetic conditions quiet to unsetttled; shortwave fadeouts unlikiely; MUF stable.

Met office UK: Solar activity at low levels thru March 8; Geomagnetic activity quiet to unsettled but with active periods possible on the 7th or 8th.

The magnetic outlook from Natural Resources Canada: Most unsettled in the auroral zone on March 17.

Forecast by OK1MGW, of the Czech Propagation Interested Group:
Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet on March 6, 11 - 13,
mostly quiet on March 7, 14, 19 - 20, 25
quiet to active on March 8, 10, 16 - 18, 22
quiet to unsettled March 9, 15, 21, 24
active to disturbed on March 23

The outlook from SWPC in Boulder: Geomagnetic field unsettled to active March 7, 8, 14, 16-18, 22-24 and 27-28 with G1 minor storm activity possible on Mar 28 due to numerous recurrent coronal hole high speed streams. A and K indices lowest at 5 and 2 from March 9 to 15; peaking at 15 and 4 on March 16, 17, 22 and 27; 20 and 4 on March 23; 30 and 5, look out, on March 28. Solar flux dipping to 115 on March 8 and 9; peaking at 135 on March 16 and 17, down to 110 by March

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Bill Hepburn`s VHF UHF DX maps show extreme tropospheric ducting this week along the coasts of Namibia, Kenya and Somalia (via DXLD) ###